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Of the

Classis of North Carolina

Of the

Reformed Church in the United States

EIGHTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSIONS

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Winston-Salem, N. C.

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING JULY 6, 1915

The Stated Clerk and Elder E. A. Rothrock, members of the Executive Committee, met in obedience to the following call: Lexnigton, N. C., June 22, 1915. Dear Brother:—There will be a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Classis of North Carolina in the First Reformed parsonage, Lexington, July 6, 1915, at 10 o'clock a. m., to consider the following: 1. Dismission of Rev. Harvey A. M. Holshouser, Ph. D., from the Presbytery of Larned, Presbyterian Church U. S. A. 2. Commission of Rev. H. A. M. Holshouser as pastor of the Winston-Salem Mission. 3. Request of Rev. H. G. Kopenhaver to be dismissed to Miami Classis, Synod of Ohio. 4. Request of Rev. J. B. Swartz to be dismissed to Iowa Classis, Synod of the Interior. 5. Report of the committee on the ordination of Licentiate G. E. Plott. Please notify your elder. By order of the President. J. C. Leonard, Stated Clerk.

The following disposition of the items was made:

1. Rev. Harvey A. M. Holshouser, Ph. D., was received from the Presbytery of Larned, Presbyterian Church U. S. A., and his name placed on the roll of ministers.

2. The commission of Rev. H. A. M. Holshouser by the Board of Missions as pastor of Schlatter Memorial Church of Winston-Salem was confirmed, and the following committee was appointed to install him pastor: Revs. D. E. Bowers, J. A. Palmer and J. C. Leonard.

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5. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis:

Your committee to ordain Licentiate G. Ermine Plott and install him pastor of Heidelberg Reformed Church, Thomasville, beg leave to report that the duty was attended to Sunday afternoon. June 13, 1915, at 3 o'clock. The sermon was preached by Rev. Shuford Peeler, of Greensboro. The liturgical services were in charge of Rev. J. C. Leonard. The other member of the committee, Rev. J. A. Palmer, was absent. Rev. L. A. Peeler, of High Point, was present and assisted in the solemn services.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. LEONARD, Chairman.

There being no further business, the Committee adjourned.

E. A. ROTHROCK, President pro tem.
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

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Respectfully submitted,
J. C. LEONARD, Chairman.

There being no further business, the Committee adjourned.

E. A. ROTHROCK, President pro tem.
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

ADJOURNED MEETING AUGUST 5, 1916.

The Classis of North Carolina met in adjourned session in Bethany Reformed Church at Nazareth Orphans' Home, Crescent, N. C., August 5, 1915, at 1 o'clock p. m. according to adjournment. Devotional services were conducted by the President. The following members were present: Ministers: P. M. Trexler, P. Barringer, J. L. Murphy, J. C. Leonard, J. M. L. Lyerly, J. D. Andrew, W. H. McNairy, D. E. Bowers, W. W. Rowe, Shuford Peeler, L. A. Peeler, A. S. Peeler, C. C. Wagoner, D. C. Cox, W. B. Werner, J. A. Koons, M. A. Huffman, J. C. Peeler, G. E. Plott, H. A. M. Hoshouser, Elders: E. A. Rothrock, S. J. Deal, J. L. C. Miller, J. O. Moose, C. B. Beck, L. P. Wilson, J. R. Young.

The committee appointed to make an investigation of the matters presented by the petitioners from Faith Reformed Church, Salisbury, made the following report, which was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee appointed to investigate the advisability of establishing a second Reformed Church in Salisbury and other matters in connection with the church there beg leave to report that after due notice had been given all parties concerned, a meeting of the committee, two members of the committee being present, the chairman and elder H. D. Warlick, was held in Faith Reformed Church July 9, 1915, at 1:30 o'clock p. m. Prayer was offered and the object of the meeting was made known. The committee was then advised that all matters which were to be investigated had been amicably settled. Both parties were represented and expressed themselves as being satisfied with the agreement that had been entered into by the pastor and those who had been opposed to him. The committee gave their hearty approval to the agreement and urged all present to work unitedly for the upbuilding of the church.

Respectfully submitted,

D. E. BOWERS,
H. D. WARLICK.

The expenses of the committee amounting to $8.40 were ordered paid.

Rev. W. B. Duttera and the Consistory of Faith Reformed Church, Salisbury, presented a joint request asking Classis to dissolve the pastoral relation between the said Rev. W. B. Duttera and Faith Church, Salisbury. The said pastoral relation was dissolved and Faith Church was declared vacant.

The officers of Faith Reformed Church, Salisbury, requested Classis to appoint a committee of supply. The request was

granted and the following committee was appointed: Revs. J. C. Leonard, J. A. Koons and W. C. Lyerly.

Rev. W. B. Buttera requested Classis to dismiss him to the Congregational Association of North Carolina. The request was granted, and he was dismissed as requested.

The committee on a Missionary Conference presented the following report which was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee appointed to arrange for a Missionary Conference within the bounds of Classis made proper effort to do so, but not sufficient response was received to justify the undertaking. The expense of the committee is $1.60.

Respectfully submitted,
A. S. PEELER,
J. A. KOONS.

The bill was ordered paid.

The committee on the matter of transferring Bethany Church, Davidson County, to the Emanuel Charge presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee appointed to confer with the Bethany congregation of the Upper Davidson Charge about putting it in the Emanuel Charge, beg leave to report that on the night of June 3rd the entire committee met with the Bethany congregation and exhausted its persuasive powers trying to get them to consent to the change. They asked to be given more time in which to decide. At a congregational meeting held the third Sunday in July they voted not to go into the Emanuel Charge, but to remain as they are. So the committee was unable to carry out your instructions. The Classis should take some action making it possible for the Emanuel Charge to secure a pastor.

Respectfully submitted,
W. H. McNAIRY,
L. A. PEELER,
E. A. ROTHROCK.

An expense bill of $3.25 presented by this committee was ordered paid.

The committee on the South Fork and Brookford Charges made the following report which was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis:

Your committee appointed to confer with the South Fork and

Brookford Charges would report that no formal meeting of these consistories was held in regard to transferring Daniel's congregation to the Lincoln Charge and Brookford congregation to the South Fork Charge. But we have been sufficiently informed that it is best to let the present arrangements remain. We would recommend that the Brookford church be continued in the care of Rev. J. L. Murphy.

Respectfully submitted,
W. W. ROWE,
A. S. PEELER.

Notice was received from the Board of Missions that Charlotte has been enrolled as a mission. This action received the hearty approval of Classis.

Notice from the Board of Missions was also given to the effect that the Salisbury mission had been declared self-supporting from July 1. 1915, and that the Albemarle mission would be dropped by the Board after January 1, 1916. The Executive Committee of Classis was instructed to request the Board of Missions to place Salisbury back on the roll of missions, to increase the appropriation made to Charlotte, and not to drop Albemarle from its roll of missions.

Rev. Shuford Peeler was authorized to organize a congregation in Charlotte.

Rev. H. A. M. Holshouser was appointed as the representative of Classis to look after our interest in the Hopewell Church, Forsyth County, and to act as trustee of our property interest in the said church.

The interest at Spencer was committed to the care of Rev. J. C. Leonard.

There being no further business, the minutes were read and approved, and Classis adjourned with the benediction by the President.

J. L. MURPHY, President.
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SEPTEMBER 13, 1915

The Stated Clerk and Elder E. A. Rothrock were present in harmony with the following call: Lexington, N. C., August 30, 1915. Dear Brother:—The Executive Committee of the Classis of North Carolina will meet in the First Reformed Church parsonage, Lexington, September 13, 1915, at 10 o'clock a. m. to attend to the following: 1. Request of student F. L. Fesperman to be released from the conditions of the Solliday Fund, and to be dismissed to

Tiffin Classis, Synod of Ohio. 2. Request of student S. A. Troxell to be released from the conditions of the Solliday Fund. 3. Notice of the reception of Rev. J. B. Swartz by Iowa Classis, Synod of the Interior. Please notify your elder. By order of the President. J. C. Leonard, Stated Clerk. Prayer was offered by the Stated Clerk.

The business was disposed of in the following action:

1. Student F. L. Fesperman withdrew his request and stated that he would resume his studies at Catawba College.

2. Student S. A. Troxell also withdrew his request and stated his purpose to continue his work in Catawba College.

3. The item was adopted.

E. A. ROTHROCK, President pro tem.
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE DECEMBER 14, 1915

The Executive Committee of the Classis of North Carolina met in harmony with the following call: Lexington, N. C., November 30. 1915. Dear Brother:—The Executive Committee of the Classis of North Carolina will meet in the First Reformed parsonage, Lexington, December 14, 1915, at 10 o'clock a. m. to attend to the following items of business. 1. Resignation of Rev. W. B. Werner as pastor of Trinity Church, Concord. 2. Request of Rev. W. B. Werner to be dismissed to Maryland Classis, Synod of the Potomac. 3. Resignation of Rev. D. C. Cox as pastor of the Burlington Charge. 4. Call to Rev. D. C. Cox from the Emanuel Charge. Please notify your Elder. By order of the President. J. C. Leonard, Stated Clerk.

Elder E. A. Rothrock and the Stated Clerk were present. The items of the call were disposed of as follows:

1. At the request of the pastor and consistory of Trinity Church, Concord, the pastoral relation between Rev. W. B. Werner and said church was dissolved and the charge declared vacant.

2. At his own request Rev. W. B. Werner was dismissed to Maryland Classis, Synod of the Potomac.

3. At the request of the pastor and joint consistory of the Burlington Charge, the pastoral relation between Rev. D. C. Cox and said charge was dissolved and the charge declared vacant.

4. The call from the Emanuel Charge to Rev. D. C. Cox being found in order was confirmed, and the following committee on installation was appointed: Revs. G. E. Plott, L. A. Peeler and J. A. Palmer.

The following were appointed a committee of supply for Trinity Church, Concord: Revs. P. Barringer, W. C. Lyerly and A. Shulenberger.

The following were appointed a committee of supply for the Burlington Charge: Revs. D. E. Bowers, L. A. Peeler, G. E. Plott.

The expenses of the meeting amounted to $1.50. Half of this amount was referred to Rev. W. B. Werner and Trinity Church, Concord, and half to Rev. D. C. Cox and the Burlington Charge for payment.

E. A. ROTHROCK, President pro tem.
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FEBRUARY 2, 1916

Elder E. A. Rothrock and the Stated Clerk, members of the Executive Committee, met in harmony with the following call: Lexington, N. C., January 19, 1916. Dear Brother:—There will be a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Classis of North Carolina in the First Reformed parsonage, Lexington, February 2, 1916, at 10 o'clock a. m. to attend to the following: 1. Resignation of Rev. A. F. Nace as pastor of the church at Albemarle, and the appointment of a supply for said church. 2. Resignation of Rev. C. C. Wagoner as pastor of Bethel Church, High Point. 3. Call to Rev. C. C. Wagoner from Faith Church, Salisbury. 4. Resignation of Rev. Shuford Peeler as pastor of the First Church, Greensboro. 5. Call to Rev. Shuford Peeler from the Mission at Charlotte. 6. Application of John T. Fesperman, Felix B. Peck, Roy D. Peeler and Sterling W. Whitener to be received as students for the ministry. By order of the President. J. C. Leonard, Stated Clerk.

The items were acted upon as follows:

1. The pastoral relation between Rev. A. F. Nace and the church at Albermarle was dissolved and the charge declared vacant. The following committee of supply for the Albermarle church was appointed: Revs. J. A. Koons, W. C. Lyerly and H. A. Welker.

2. The pastoral relation between Rev. C. C. Wagoner and Bethel Church, High Point, was dissolved and the charge declared vacant.

3. The call to Rev. C. C. Wagoner from Faith Church, Salisbury, was found in order and confirmed, and the following committee of installation was appointed: Revs. J. M. L. Lyerly, J. W. Bell and A. Shulenberger.

4. The pastoral relation between Rev. Shuford Peeler and the First Church, Greensboro, was dissolved and the charge declared vacant.

5. Rev. Shuford Peeler presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

The organization of a Reformed Church in Charlotte, under the instruction of Classis, was effected Sunday January 16, 1916, with eighteen charter members. M. C. Barnhardt and J. C. M. Rymer were elected elders, and J. C. Peck and J. W. Fulbright deacons. The name chosen is the First Reformed Church of Charlotte.

Respectfully submitted,
SHUFORD PEELER.

The call to Rev. Shuford Peeler from the First Church, Charlotte, was found in order and confirmed. The following were appointed to install him pastor: Revs. J. H. Keller, P. Barringer and W. H. McNairy.

6. John T. Fesperman, Felix B. Peck, Roy. D. Peeler and Sterling W. Whitener were received under the care of Classis as students for the Gospel ministry.

The expenses of the meeting amounted to $1.50. One third of this amount was referred to Revs. A. F. Nace, C. C. Wagoner and Shuford Peeler each, and their people, for payment.

E. A. ROTHROCK, President pro tem.
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

MEETING OF CLASSIS FEBRUARY 21, 1916

The Classis of North Carolina met in special session at the time and place named in the following call: Hickory, N. C., February 4, 1916. Dear Brother:—A special meeting of the Classis of North Carolina will be held in Grace Reformed Church, Newton, February 21, 1916, at 2 o'clock p. m. to consider a request from the South Fork Charge for the licensure and ordination of divinity student Harvey A. Fesperman. J. L. Murphy, President. The following members were present: Revs. P. Barringer, J. L. Murphy, W. H. McNairy, J. D. Andrew, W. W. Rowe, A. S. Peeler, J. C. Peeler, W. C. Lyerly. Elders H. D. Warlick, J. O. Moose and L. P. Wilson. Elder D. F. McGill was present as an advisory member.

Devotional services were conducted by the President, Rev. J. D. Andrew offering prayer.

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Requests from the elders and deacons of the several churches of the South Fork Charge, asking the licensure of student Harvey A. Fesperman with a view to his becoming pastor of the said charge, were read. Student Fesperman also presented a request for examination and licensure. In answer to the several requests Classis went into committee of the whole, with Rev. P. Barringer as chairman, for the examination of student Fesperman. The committee subsequently arose and presented the following report, which was unanimously adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee on Examination and Licensure beg leave to report that Student Harvey A. Fesperman appeared before the committee and was duly examined. The examination was satisfactory, and we recommend that he be licensed to preach the Gospel.

Respectfully submitted,
PAUL BARRINGER, Chairman.

Student H. A. Fesperman having subscribed to the Constitutional formula was licensed to preach the Gospel.

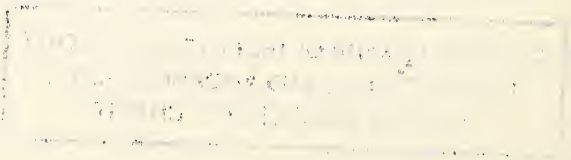
The expenses of the meeting were reported to be $2.50, due Rev. P. Barringer.

The minutes were read and approved, and the Classis adjourned with the benediction by the President.

J. L. MURPHY, President.
J. C. PEELER, Stated Clerk pro tem.

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MARCH 17, 1916

The Executive Committee met in harmony with the following call: Lexington, N. C., March 2, 1916. Dear Brother:—The Executive Committee of the Classis of North Carolina will meet in the First Reformed parsonage, Lexington, March 17, 1916, at 10 o'clock a. m. to consider the following: 1. Dismission of Rev. A. D. Wolfinger, D. D., from Philadelphia Classis, Eastern Synod. 2. Call to Rev. A. D. Wolfinger from the First Church, Greensboro. 3. Dismission of Rev. H. G. Kopenhaver from Miami Classis, Ohio Synod. 4. Call to Rev. H. G. Kopenhaver from Bethel Church, High Point. 5. Call to Licentiate H. A. Fesperman from South Fork Charge. 6. Request of Mr. Jacob Nevin Lyerly to be received under the care of Classis as a student for the Gospel ministry. 7. Notice of the reception of Rev. W. B. Duttera by the Congregational Association of North Carolina. Please notify



your elder. By order of the President. J. C. Leonard, Stated Clerk.

Rev. J. C. Leonard, Stated Clerk, and Elder E. A. Rothrock were present. The several items of the call were disposed of as follows:

1. Rev. A. D. Wolfinger, D. D., was received from Philadelphia Classis, Eastern Synod, and his name placed on the roll of ministers. 2. The call to Rev. A. D. Wolfinger from the First Church, Greensboro, was confirmed. The following committee was appointed to install him pastor: Revs. J. C. Leonard, G. E. Plott and L. A. Peeler. 3. Rev. H. G. Kopenhaver was received from Miami Classis, Ohio Synod, and his name placed on the roll of ministers. 4. The call to Rev. H. G. Kopenhaver from Bethel Church, High Point, was confirmed. The following committee was appointed to install him pastor: Revs. L. A. Peeler, A. D. Wolfinger and G. E. Plott. 5. The call to Licentiate H. A. Fesperman from the South Fork Charge was confirmed. The following committee was appointed to ordain Licentiate Fesperman and install him pastor of the South Fork Charge: Revs. J. L. Murphy, W. W. Rowe and J. C. Peeler. 6. There being no papers at hand, this item was referred back to the committee on Beneficiary Education. 7. The item was adopted.

The expense of the meeting amounted to $1.50. The sum was referred to Revs. Wolfinger, Kopenhaver and Fesperman and the people they represent for payment.

J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

EIGHTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSIONS

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ARTICLE 1.

OPENING OF CLASSIS

The Classis of North Carolina, Synod of the Potomac, Reformed Church in the United States, met in eighty-sixth annual sessions in the Waughtown Reformed Church, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, Tuesday evening, May 2, A. D. 1916, at 8 o'clock. The opening sermon was preached by the retiring president, Rev. J. L. Murphy, D. D., from St. Luke's Gospel, 1:1-4. Following the sermon the Holy Communion was administered, the service being in charge of Revs. J. W. Bell and G. E. Plott.

The Classis was formally constituted by the President, the Stated Clerk calling the roll of ministers and elders. A quorum was found present.

ARTICLE II.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ministers: J. L. Murphy, D. D., J. C. Leonard, D. D., J. M. L. Lyerly, Ph. D., J. D. Andrew, W. H. McNairy, D. E. Bowers, W. W. Rowe, S. Peeler, L. A. Peeler, J. W. Bell, A. S. Peeler, J. A. Koons, J. C. Peeler, W. C. Lyerly, G. E. Plott, H. A. M. Holshouser, Ph. D., H. A. Fesperman, H. G. Kopenhaver.

Elders: J. T. Hedrick, J. W. Younts, E. D. Fox, J. F. Herman, M. T. Roseman, J. T. Plott, D. F. McGill, W. A. Welker, J. O. Moose, J. W. Peeler, J. P. Long, J. W. Cook, C. Ikerd, E. A. Sink.

The following members appeared at later sessions as indicated:

Wednesday morning: Ministers—C. C. Wagoner, A. D. Wolfinger, D. D., J. H. Keller, A. Shulenberger, D. C. Cox, H. A. Welker, J. A. Palmer. Elders: H. H. Hedrick, J. E. Holshouser, Dr. G. A. Ramsaur, D. W. Palmer, M. C. Bodenhamer.

Wednesday afternoon. Minister: M. A. Huffman. Elders: J. L. Fisher, M. C. Barnhardt, G. H. Geitner, J. R. Hoffman, Esq., H. L. Moose, W. A. Myers.

Thursday morning. Minister: P. Barringer, D. D.

At the first two sessions of Classis, Elder J. W. Peeler occupied the seat of Elder. J. L. Fisher, delegate primarius, of the Rockwell Charge.

The following were invited to seats as advisory members: Rev. D. Burghalter, D. D., of Heidelberg Classis, Central Synod; Rev. C. E. Schaffer, D. D., of Reading Classis, Eastern Synod; Rev. C. A. Hauser of German Philadelphia Classis, German Synod of the East.

Rev. A. Klinger, of the Presbyterian Church, was invited to a seat as a visiting brother.

The following ministers were absent: John Ingle, M. L. Hedrick, P. M. Trexler, D. D., J. H. Shuford, H. E. Sechler, A. R. Holshouser, M. D., E. G. Williams, D. D., B. L. Stanley, A. F. Nace.

The following ministers were absent and failed to report to Classis: M. L. Hedrick, H. E. Sechler, A. R. Holshouser, M. D., E. G. Williams, D. D.

The following charges were not represented by elders: Zion, Lenoir; Heidelberg, Thomasville; Brookford; Second, Lexington; Catawba; Mt. Bethel; Emanuel.

ROLL OF ELDERS

CHARGE	PRIMARIUS	SECUNDUS
Corinth, Hickory	G. H. Geitner	C. H. Geitner
First. Lexington	J. T. Hedrick	D. L. Brinkley
Lower Davidson	J. W. Younts	O. C. Hedrick
Burlington	J R. Hoffman, Esq.	
Emanuel, Lincolnton	E. D. Fox	J. J. Ramsaur
West Rowan	Dr. G. A. Ramsaur	J. E. Corriher, Jr.
Faith, Salisbury	J. E. Holshouser	J J. Correll
Waughtown	M. C. Bodenhamer	J. S. Long
Grace, Newton	J. F. Herman	W. P. Bost
Faith	M T. Roseman	J. D. A. Fisher
First, Greensboro	J. T. Plott	S. C. Clapp
Zion, Lenoir	J. P. Rabb	I. T. Hedrick
South Fork	D. F. McGill	W. H. Blackburn
Bethel, High Point	W. A. Myers	J. M. Manglin
Heidelberg, Thomasville	R. P. Murphy	W. S. Long
Guilford	J. W. Clapp	W. A. Welker
Bear Creek	D. W. Palmer	M. G. Lentz
Trinity, Concord	J. O. Moose	R. T. Lippard
Rockwell	J. L. Fisher	J. W. Peeler
Brookford	L. Reese	Charles Ikerd
Upper Davidson	J. P. Long	P. A. Livengood
Second, Lexington	R. A. Burkhart	G. W. Leonard
Gilead	J. W. Cook	R. Cline
Catawba	G. I. Edwards	T. L. Hunsucker
Lincoln	Clarence Ikerd	D. M. Carpenter
First Albermarle	H. L. Moose	
Mt. Bethel		
Emanuel	P. M. Bowers	W. F. Clinard
First, High Point	H. H. Hedrick	J. W. Hedrick
Winston-Salem	E. A. Sink	
First, Charlotte	M C. Barnhardt	J. C. M. Rhymer

ARTICLE III

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The following officers were elected: Rev. L. A. Peeler, High Point, N. C., President; Rev. A. S. Peeler, Lenoir, N. C., vice-president; Rev. H. G. Kopenhaver, High Point, N. C., Corresponding Secretary; Rev. S. Peeler, Charlotte, N. C., Reading Clerk; Rev. D. E. Bowers, Winston-Salem, N. C., Treasurer. Rev. J. C. Leonard, D. D., Lexington, N. C., continuous Stated Clerk.

ARTICLE IV

PERMANENT COMMITTEES

1. Executive Committee: Revs. L. A. Peeler, J. C. Leonard, Elder J. T. Hedrick.

2. Sunday Schools: Revs. J. C. Peeler, J. A. Koons, Elder J. R. Young.

3. Missionary and Stewardship: Revs. A. S. Peeler, H. A. Welker, Elder J. F. Troxler.

4. Mrs. Rebecca Solliday Church Building Fund: Rev. H. A. Fesperman, 3 years; Rev. W. W. Rowe, 2 years; Rev. J. M. L. Lyerly, 1 year.

5. George G. Solliday Beneficiary Education Fund: Revs. J. L. Murphy, W. W. Rowe, J. D. Andrew.

6. Trustees of Classis: Rev. J. L. Murphy, Messrs. T. C. Hunsucker, J. A. Propst.

7. Financial Plans: Revs. W. H. McNairy, H. A. Welker, Elder M. T. Roseman.

8. Four Hundredth Anniversary: Revs. J. C. Leonard, J. M. L. Lyerly, Elder J. F. Herman.

ARTICLE V.

RULES OF ORDER

General Synod's Rules of Order were followed in the sessions of Classis. The President defined the Bar of the House to be the body of the church. The following hours were fixed for opening and closing: Meet at 9 o'clock a. m. and adjourn at 5 p. m., with a recess from 11:30 a. m. to 5 p. m.

ARTICLE VI

STANDING COMMITTEES

The President announced the following Standing Committees:

1. Religious Services: Revs. D. E. Bowers, H. A. M. Holshouser, Elder E. A. Sink.

2. Minutes of Classis: Revs. J. C. Leonard, J. A. Koons, Elder J. W. Younts.

3. Minutes of Potomac Synod: Revs. J. D. Andrew, J. W. Bell, Elder E. D. Fox.

4. Overtures: Revs. W. W. Rowe, G. E. Plott, Elder J. F. Herman.

5. Missions: Revs. W. H. McNairy, H. G. Kopenhaver, Elder J. T. Hedrick.

6. Benevolent Institutions: Revs. C. C. Wagoner, H. A. Fesperman, Elder M. T. Roseman.

7. Education: Revs. J. H. Keller, S. Peeler, Elder D. F. McGill.

8. Religion and Statistics: Revs. J. L. Murphy, J. A. Palmer, Elder D. W. Palmer.

9. Nominations: Revs. J. A. Koons, W. W. Rowe, Elder J. W. Cook.

10. Finance: Revs. D. E. Bowers, W. H. McNairy, Elder J. T. Plott.

11. Examination and Licensure: Revs. J. M. L. Lyerly, J. D. Andrew, Elder W. A. Welker.

12. Young People's Societies: Revs. S. Peeler, G. E. Plott, Elder J. O. Moose.

13. Press: Revs. H. A. M. Holshouser, W. W. Rowe, Elder C. Ikerd.

14. Leave of Absence: Revs. W. C. Lyerly, H. A. Fesperman, Elder J. P. Long.

ARTICLE VII

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Copies of the Minutes of Classis and of the Synod of the Potomac were referred to the committees on these subjects.

2. The Treasurer's report was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

3. The reports of the Trustees of Catawba College and Claremont College were read and referred to the Committee on Education.

4. Reports from the Boards of Missions were referred to the Committee on Missions.

5. Reports of the Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home,

the Relief Societies and the Sunday School Board were read and referred to the proper committees.

6. Other communications were received and referred to the Committee on Overtures.

ARTICLE VIII.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

The sessions of each day were opened and closed with devotional services. The Standing Committee on this subject presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the Reverend North Carolina Classis:

Your Committee on Religious Services beg leave to make the following report:

MAY 2, 8 O'CLOCK P. M.

Opening sermon: Rev. J. L. Murphy, D. D.
Holy Communion, Revs. J. W. Bell, G. E. Plott.

MAY 3, 8 O'CLOCK. P. M.

Address on Home Missions, Rev. C. E. Schaeffer, D. D., Superintendent of Missions.

Address on Foreign Missions, Rev. D. Burghalter, D. D., Field Secretary of the Foreign Board.

MAY 4, 8 O'CLOCK.

Our relation to Our New Mission Points, Rev. Shuford Peeler.

Catawba College, President James D. Andrew.

MAY 5, 8 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Sunday School and Missions, Rev. H. G. Kopenhaver.

Mental Deficiency, Dr. C. B. McNairy, Superintendent Caswell Training School.

MAY 6, 8 O'CLOCK P. M.

Sermon, Rev. A. Klinger.

SUNDAY, MAY 7, 11 O'CLOCK A. M.

First Reformed Church. Sermon by Rev. J. C. Peeler.

8 O'CLOCK P. M.

Sermon by Rev. P. Barringer, D. D.

Waughtown Baptist Church, 11 o'clock A. M. Sermon by Rev. J. A. Koons.

8 O'CLOCK P. M.

Sermon by Rev. A. Klinger.

Presbyterian church 11 o'clock A. M. Sermon by Rev. H. A. Fesperman.

Respectfully submitted,
D. E. BOWERS, Chairman.

ARTICLE IX

PAROCHIAL REPORTS

Parochial reports were read by the several pastors with the exceptions noted under Article II. The elders answered the Constitutional questions. The reports were referred to the committee on Religion and Statistics.

ARTICLE X

MINUTES OF CLASSIS

The committee presented the following report, which was acted upon item by item and finally adopted as indicated:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee on the Minutes of Classis beg leave to present the following report:

1. Page 15. The Executive Committee consists of Revs. J. L. Murphy, J. C. Leonard and elder E. A. Rothrock.

2. Page 15. Revs. J. C. Peeler, J. A. Koons and elder J. R. Young constitute the committee on Sunday schools.

3. Page 15. Revs. W. W. Rowe, H. G. Kopenhaver and J. M. L. Lyerly are the committee on the Mrs. Rebecca Solliday Church Building Fund.

4. Page 15. The Missionary and Stewardship committee consists of Revs. A. S. Peeler, H. A. Welker and elder J. F. Troxler.

5. Page 15. Revs. J. L. Murphy, W. W. Rowe and J. D. Andrew constitute the committee on the George G. Solliday Beneficiary Education Fund.

6. Page 15. The Trustees of Classis are Rev. J. L. Murphy and Messrs. T. L. Hunsucker and J. A. Propst.

7. Page 23. The Lower Davidson Charge was committed to the care of Rev. J. M. L. Lyerly.

8. Page 24. The interest at Southmount was committed to the care of Rev. J. C. Leonard.

9. Page 27. Rev. J. A. Koons was appointed to tabulate the results of the Every-Member Canvass.

10. Page 28. Rev. J. A. Palmer was appointed Superintendent of Young People's Work.

11. Page 31. Mt. Bethel Mission was committed to the care of Rev. A. S. Peeler.

12. Page 33. The Solliday Beneficiary Education committee was instructed to make arrangements with former student John M. Peck for the settlement of his indebtedness to the said Fund.

13. Page 34. The Solliday Beneficiary Education committee was instructed to collect from former student C. E. Fogleman all funds advanced to him from this Fund.

14. Page 36. Revs. J. C. Leonard, W. W. Rowe and W. H. McNairy were appointed to defend Classis before the Synod of the Potomac in the Duttera appeal case.

15. Page 37. Revs. J. C. Leonard, C. C. Wagoner, L. A. Peeler and G. E. Plott were appointed a committee of supply for the Emanuel Charge.

16. Page 37. Rev. D. C. Cox was authorized to open a Sunday school in East Burlington and have charge of the same, looking to a congregation.

17. Page 66. Revs. J. H. Keller and Messrs. C. A. Linn and D. L. Correll were instructed to take charge of the interests of the Reformed Church in Landis and organize a congregation.

18. Special. Revs. D. E. Bowers, J. A. Palmer and J. C. Leonard were appointed to install Rev. H. A. M. Holshouser pastor of the Schlatter Memorial Church, Winston-Salem.

19. Special. Revs. J. C. Leonard, J. A. Koons and W. C. Lyerly were appointed a committee of supply for Faith Church, Salisbury.

20. Special. The Executive Committee of Classis was instructed to request the Board of Missions to place Faith Church, Salisbury, back on the roll of missions, to increase the appropriation to Charlotte and not to drop Albemarle from the roll.

21. Special. The Hopewell Church interest in Forsyth County was placed in the care of Rev. H. A. M. Holshouser as trustee of said interest.

22. Special. The interest at Spencer was placed in the care of Rev. J. C. Leonard.

23. Special. Revs. G. E. Plott, L. A. Peeler and J. A. Pal-

mer were appointed to install Rev. D. C. Cox pastor of the Emanuel Charge.

24. Special. The following were appointed a committee of supply for Trinity Church, Concord: Revs. P. Barringer, W. C. Lyerly and A. Shulenberger.

25. Special. The following were appointed a committee of supply for the Burlington Charge: Revs. D. E. Bowers, L. A. Peeler and G. E. Plott.

26. Special. Revs. J. A. Koons, W. C. Lyerly and H. A. Welker were appointed a committee of supply for the Albemarle mission.

27. Special. Revs. J. M. L. Lyerly, J. W. Bell and A. Shulenberger were appointed to install Rev. C. C. Wagoner pastor of Faith Church, Salisbury.

28. Special. Revs. J. H. Keller, P. Barringer and W. H. McNairy were appointed to install Rev. Shuford Peeler pastor of the First Church, Charlotte.

29. Special. Revs. J. C. Leonard, G. E. Plott and L. A. Peeler were appointed to install Rev. A. D. Wolfinger pastor of the First Church, Greensboro.

30. Special. Revs. L. A .Peeler, A. D. Wolfinger and G. E. Plott were appointed to install Rev. H. G. Kopenhaver pastor of Bethel Church, High Point.

31. Special. Revs. J. L. Murphy, W. W. Rowe and J. C. Peeler were appointed to ordain Licentiate H. A. Fesperman and install him pastor of the South Fork Charge.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. LEONARD,
JOHN A. KOONS,
J. W. YOUNTS.

1. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

The Executive Committee beg leave to report that all matters demanding attention during the year were properly attended to. We herewith submit the minutes of the several meetings as a part of our report.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

2. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee on Sunday Schools beg leave to make the following report: Reports have been received from all the schools in Classis, and there is every indication of a steady, substantial growth in all departments of the work. While the average attendance is far from being what it should be, we note with pleasure a marked improvement over last year's report, and we trust that the time will soon come when this important work will receive attention from every pastor and superintendent.

Two new schools were organized during the year.

We are pleased to note the increase of contributions.

We earnestly request the hearty cooperation of pastors and superintendents in every phase of this great work.

The following recommendations are respectfully submitted for your consideration:

1. That together with the Sunday School periodicals published by our board, we recommend the Sunday School Times.

2. That the organization of classes be entered into by our schools. We believe that there is power in organization.

3. That all the schools join heartily in the Sunday Schools increase campaign, launched in commemoration of the Four Hundredth Anniversary of the Protestant Reformation, which embodies the following: First: A challenge to every school to attain to the ten points of the Standard of Efficiency. Wall charts for this Standard will be furnished upon request. Second: A total enrollment of our Reformed Church Sunday School membership to four hundred thousand.

Third: An effort to reach an average attendance aggregating 70 per cent. of the enrollment.

Fourth: The creation of a Children's Religious Education Fund for the purpose of providing a partial endowment of the general educational Sunday School work of the church in connection with the erection of the Schaff Building.

Fourth: That an annual offering be taken for General Synod's educational and missionary work.

Fifth: That a Teacher Training Superintendent be appointed for the North Carolina Classis.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN C. PEELER,
JOHN A. KOONS,
J. R. YOUNG.

The statistics will be found in the appendix.

The following were appointed the Committee on Sunday Schools: Revs. J. C. Peeler, J. A. Koons and Elder J. R. Young.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Classis request all the Sunday Schools to close the Classical year's work March 31st, and that all reports be sent to the Sunday School Committee not later than April 15th.

3. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

The Mrs. Rebecca Solliday Fund Committee beg leave to report that no loans have been made during the year.

For your information your committee would report that the following have gotten loans from this Fund that have not been paid: Albemarle, $400.00; Heidelberg, Thomasville, $200.00; Lincolnton, $500.00; the Classis of North Carolina, originally for the Lenoir Mission, $300.00.

J. L. MURPHY,
Chairman.

W. W. ROWE,
J. M. L. LYERLY,
H. G. KOPENHAVER.

The vacancy was referred to the committee on nominations.

4. The following report was received and adopted:

Dear Fathers and Brethren:

Your Missionary and Stewardship Committee offer the following report indicating somewhat the work attempted by the Committee:

It is now realized as never before that if the Kingdom of God is to be established in this generation, or even if at all, the task must be gone at in a way and on a scale more intensive and extensive than has yet hardly been dreamed of. With this end in view this Committee has been established; but we are free to admit that only a beginning, a very small beginning, has been made toward what the committee is supposed to help bring to pass.

The object or purpose of this Committee is set forth in the Minutes of Classis (Pages 66, 67) viz: a. To help raise the apportionment in full. b. To urge and start the every member canvass in every charge: c. To call attention to the annual congregational meeting. d. And receive reports from said congregational meet-

ings. All of this was attempted by the committee (a) by personal interviews with all pastors except perhaps two: (b) by correspondence (circular) and personal with pastors and officers. Some helpful literature was distributed.

Visible Results: The canvass was made for the first time in some churches and was made more thoroughly in several others, showing an increase in every instance. The Duplex system is recognized most generally as the best. Other churches will make the canvass with the beginning of this new Classical year. Some vacant churches put forth special effort to raise the apportionment. Not having received all the information asked for, it is impossible to know the advance made.

We realize that growth in knowledge and in grace is usually very slow; we also realize that a very comprehensive and definite education must be given the people in every charge before the business of the Kingdom can be done. If the people are not ready for these advances now, as some say, it will not take long to get them ready and the pastor is the one to see that that is done. The general benefits, such as moral, social and spiritual, more than repay for the effort put forth. The ultimate object of the committee is to get these things done not only in every charge but in every church; indeed they must be done if the Kingdom is to grow and our own Classis is to take her proper part in all this glorious work.

The expense of the committee is $7.00.

A. S. PEELER,
H. A. WELKER.

The Missionary and Stewardship Committee was continued. It consists of Revs. A. S. Peeler, H. A. Welker and Elder J. F. Troxler.

5. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on the Solliday Beneficiary Fund beg leave to report that during the past year the following young men have each received the sum of $100: Students A. R. Tosh, S. A. Troxell, G. A. Ingle, A. C. Peeler, F. L. Fesperman, and Sterling Whitener. Students J. T. Fesperman, R. D. Peeler, B. J. Peeler. and Felix B. Peck have each received the sum of $50. Student B. J. Peeler was also paid $50 for the year 1914-1915.

Your committee would also report that proper bonds have

been given by all students during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
J. L. MURPHY,
W. W. ROWE,
J. D. ANDREW.

The committee charged with this interest was continued.

6. The following report was received and adopted:

The Trustees of Classis present the following report:

Since the annual meeting last year the land in the St. Peter's church property has been divided. Our part is five and one fourth acres.

The court costs and lawyer's fee amount to $45.32. The Trustees suggest that Classis make provision to pay this amount and hold the land until a suitable time for selling.

We have learned that some Reformed people contemplate moving into this community and there is a probability that a Reformed church may be desired in this community.

J. L. MURPHY.

Rev. J. L. Murphy and Messrs. T. L. Hunsucker and J. A. Propst were reelected Trustees of Classis.

The treasurer was instructed to pay the bill of $45.32.

7. The following report was received and adopted:

To the North Carolina Classis:

I have regularly supplied the Lower Davidson Charge with preaching services and such other ministrations as I was called on to give. I have given parochial and statistical reports in due form.

Respectfully submitted,
J. M. L. LYERLY.

The Lower Davidson Charge was continued in the care of Rev. J. M. L. Lyerly.

8. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis:

On the Southmont interest I beg leave to report that I have visited the place a few times during the year. On one occasion in obedience to invitation, I preached the commencement sermon for the graded school. The growth of the town up to this time

does not seem to warrant our organizing a church yet.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. LEONARD.

9. The following report was received and adopted:

Your committee appointed to tabulate the results of the Every Member Canvass beg leave to report that before your committee sent out the blanks to secure the necessary information to make his report, he received blanks from the Missionary and Stewardship Committee covering the same ground only more thoroughly than I would have done. Realizing that the result of the Every Member Canvass would be tabulated and my work would be but a duplication, as well as an extra expense to the Classis, your committee has no tabulated results to give.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. KOONS.

10. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

As Superintendent of Young People's Societies, I beg leave to report that during the past year I have had no calls from any pastor or congregation for special assistance or service of any kind; neither did I during the part of the year that I served in this capacity before. Having a very large field of my own, and more work than I could do at home, I have not done anything definite, and consequently have nothing to report.

J. A. PALMER.

Rev. J. A. Palmer was continued as Superintendent of Young People's Societies.

11. The following report was received and adopted:

One Sunday was spent with the people at Blowing Rock and the Holy Communion was observed. The people were advised to disband and enter the church of their choice. but information has not come to me as to whether or not they reached a decision in the matter. They were written to and asked to send at least something on the apportionment. No reply has been received.

Respectfully submitted,

A. S. PEELER.

The Blowing Rock Mission was committed to the care of Rev. J. D. Andrew.

12. The committee stated that the matter with Rev. J. M. Peck was in process of settlement. The instructions were continued.

13. The committee stated that settlement with Mr. C. E. Frogleman had not yet been made. The instructions were continued.

14. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your attorneys appointed to defend the Classis before the Synod of the Potomac in the Duttera appeal case beg leave to report that the appellant failed to appear before Synod to prosecute his case, and there was therefore nothing for us to do in the way of defense.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. LEONARD,
W. W. ROWE,
W. H. McNAIRY,

15. The following report was received and adopted:

Your committee of supply for the Emanuel Charge beg leave to report that we preached in the churches of the charge with some degree of regularity until Rev. D. C. Cox was called as the regular pastor.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. LEONARD, Chairman.

16. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis:

In reference to opening a Sunday School in East Burlington, I will say that a school was opened soon after Classis last year; the enrollment was over 40. The school continued until late in the fall and closed for the winter. A few preaching services were held, Rev. H. A. M. Holshouser preaching one time.

Respectfully submitted,
D C. COX.

17. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee appointed to organize a congregation at Landis beg leave to make the following report:

We found the people of Landis unwilling to undertake the or-

ganization at present, and do not believe the time is ripe.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. KELLER,
C. A. LINN,
D. L. CORRELL.

18. The following report was received and adopted:

Your committee to install Rev. H. A. M. Holshouser beg leave to report that a date was set for the installation, but owing to unavoidable circumstances, the duty was not performed,

D. E. BOWERS,
J. A. PALMER.

The following were appointed to install Rev. H. A. M. Holshouser: Revs. J. A. Koons, H. A. Fesperman and J. C. Peeler.

19. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis:

Your committee of supply for Faith Church, Salisbury, beg leave to report that services were held every Sunday morning from the time of our appointment until the church extended a call to Rev. C. C. Wagoner. We also rendered what assistance we could in the securing of a pastor.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. LEONARD. Chairman.

20. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

The Executive Committee of Classis beg leave to report that we endeavored to carry out the instructions of Classis. In answer to our request the Board of Missions increased the appropriation for Charlotte from $1,000 to $1,200, and enrolled Faith Church, Salisbury, with an appropriation of $350, which was an increase of $100 over the appropriation of the previous year. We regret to state that the Board could not continue Albemarle on the roll of missions. The disposition of this church was referred to Classis.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk

21. The following report was received and adopted:

The North Carolina Classis having placed in my hands their interest in the Hopewell property a year ago, I beg leave to make the following report:

No service has been held during the year but beginning with

June the first Sunday we expect to hold monthly services.

Submitted,
H. A. M. HOLSHOUSER.

22. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis:

The interest at Spencer was referred to me over my protest. I have not been able to hold any services there since my appointment, but I have visited the place and have conferred with members of the church living in the place. I find that there are a few members of the Reformed Church living in Spencer who are sincerely devoted to our denomination. Mr. J. S. Wise, Treasurer of the Board of Missions, has written me several times concerning the property in Spencer. This correspondence I submit herewith as information for Classis. I recommend that this interest, together with that at Albemarle, be referred to the committee on Missions for consideration and recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. LEONARD.

The interest at Spencer was committed to the care of Revs. J. C. Leonard and C. C. Wagoner.

23. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee appointed to install Rev. D. C. Cox pastor of the Emanuel Charge beg leave to report that the duty was attended to February 20, 1916. The three members of the committee were present and participated in the service.

G. ERMINE PLOTT,
L. A. PEELER,
J. A. PALMER.

24. The following report was received and adopted:

Your committee of supply for Trinity Church, Concord, beg leave to report that we have supplied the congregation with two services each Sabbath.

A. SHULENBERGER,
P. BARRINGER.

25. The following report was received and adopted:

Your committee of supply for the Burlington charge beg leave to report that the charge was supplied with occasional preach-

ing and that the Rev. A. H. Zechiel, of Fremont, O., has been elected pastor.

Respectfully submitted,
D. E. BOWERS,
L. A. PEELER.

26. The following report was received and adopted:

Your committee of supply for the Albemarle Church beg leave to report that we supplied the church as we were able.

There is a mission for the Reformed Church in Albemarle, but under the present arrangements no effective work can be done. We recommend that the committee be discontinued.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN A. KOONS,
W. C. LYERLY,
H. A. WELKER.

27. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee appointed to install Rev. C. C. Wagoner as pastor of Faith church, Salisbury, performed that duty February 27, 1916, all the members of the committee being present and participating.

Respectfully submitted.
J. M. L. LYERLY,
J. W. BELL,
A. SHULENBERGER.

28. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee appointed to install Rev. Shuford Peeler pastor of the First Reformed Church of Charlotte beg leave to report that the duty was performed the 27th day of February, 1916, at 3:30 p. m., all members of the committee present and participating in the service.

J. H. KELLER,
W. H. McNAIRY,
PAUL BARRINGER.

29. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis:

Your committee to install Rev. A. D. Wolfinger pastor of the First Church, Greensboro, beg leave to report the duty duly

attended to Sunday evening March 26, 1916, at 7:30 o'clock, Revs. L. A. Peeler and G. E. Plott, members of the committee, conducting the services.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. LEONARD,
L. A. PEELER,
G. E. PLOTT.

30. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee appointed to install Rev. H. G. Kopenhaver pastor of Bethel church, High Point, beg leave to report that the duty was attended to on Sunday, April 2, 1916, at 3 p. m.

L. A. PEELER,
G. ERMINE PLOTT,
A. D. WOLFINGER.

31. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee appointed to ordain Licentiate H. A. Fesperman to the Gospel ministry and install him pastor of the South Fork Charge report that this duty was attended to on the afternoon of April 23, Easter Sunday, every member of the committee being present and taking part in the service.

J. L. MURPHY, Chairman.

ARTICLE XI

OVERTURES

From time to time the Committee on Overtures reported the items referred to them. The report as finally adopted as a whole follows:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Overtures beg leave to present the following report on the several matters referred to us:

1. Reports of Students for the Ministry.
(a) S. A. Troxell.
(b) A. C. Peeler.
(c) G. A. Ingle.
(d) R. D. Peeler.
(e) S. W. Whitener.
(f) F. L. Fesperman.

(g) B. J. Peeler.
(h) F. B. Peck.
(i) J. T. Fesperman.

We recommend the adoption of the item.

2. A request from the Charlotte Mission for financial aid to the amount of $3000.00.

We recommend that this item be referred to the committee on Missions.

3. A request from the Catawba Charge for sustentions to the amount of $200.00. We recommend the reference of this item to the Committee on Missions.

4. Notice of the reception of Rev. H. G. Kopenhaver by Miami Classis, Ohio Synod.

We recommend the adoption of the item.

5. The joint consistory of the Gilead Charge requests the sum of $100 to supplement the pastor's salary.

We recommend that this item be referred to the committee on Missions.

6. Notice of the reception of Rev. W. B. Werner by Maryland Classis, Synod of the Potomac.

We recommend the adoption of the item.

7. A request from the Guilford Charge for $200 to supplement the pastor's salary.

We recommend the reference of this item to the committee on Missions.

8. Letter of dismissal of Rev. A. Klinger from the Presbytery of Little Rock, Presbyterian Church U. S. A., to the Classis of North Carolina.

We recommend that Rev. A. Klinger be referred to the committee on Examination and Licensure.

9. A request from Faith Church, Brookford, asking that Dr. Murphy be continued as supply.

We recommend that the request be granted.

10. A request from Trinity Church, Concord, for a committee to confer with them in regard to some difficulties in the congregation.

We recommend that a committee be appointed in accordance with their request.

11. A request from Jacob Nevin Lyerly to be received under the care of Classis as a student for the ministry.

We recommend that Mr. Lyerly be referred to the committee on Beneficiary Education.

12. A request from Rev. John Ingle to be excused from attendance upon the sessions of Classis.

We recommend that the request be granted.

13. A request from Rev. Dr. P. M. Trexler to be excused from attendance upon the sessions of Classis.

We recommend that the request be granted.

14. A communication from Drs. James I. Good and Geo. W. Richards in regard to the observance of the Quarto-Centenary of the Reformation 1917.

We recommend that a committee be appointed to arrange for the observance of this event.

15. A request from Rev. J. H. Shuford to be excused from attendance upon the sessions of Classis.

We recommend that the request be granted.

16. A communication from Dr. Murray Galt Motter in regard to securing a complete set of the official publications of the Reformed Church for the Library of Congress.

We recommend that Dr. Leonard, the Stated Clerk, as far as possible, carry out the request of this communication.

17. Notice from Stated Clerk of the Synod of the Potomac that the following were nominated as Trustees of Catawba College: Rev. J. C. Leonard, D. D., M. A. Foil, M. D., H. E. Rowe, M. D., J. R. Hoffman, Esq., M. G. Lentz, and Ed Whitener.

We recommend that the nominees be elected.

18. A request from Rev. B. L. Stanley to be excused from attendance upon the sessions of Classis.

We recommend that the request be granted.

19. A request from Rev. A. F. Nace to be excused from attendance upon the sessions of Classis.

We recommend that the request be granted.

20. (a) An invitation from Faith Church, Salisbury, for the next annual meeting of Classis.

(b) An invitation from Emanuel Church, Lincolnton, for the next annual meeting of Classis.

We recommend that we proceed to determine the time and place of the next annual meeting.

21. An overture from the Burlington charge for sustentation to the amount of $200.

We recommend that this item be referred to the committee on Missions.

22. A request from the St. James congregation, Mt. Pleasant, for Classis to take such action that will place the Reformed Church Standard under the direct control of Classis.

We recommend that this item be referred to a special committee.

23. Resignation of Rev. M. A. Huffman as pastor of Second Church, Lexington.

We recommend that the pastoral relation be dissolved and also that the church be committed to the care of Dr. J. C. Leonard.

Respectfully submitted,
W. W. ROWE,
G. E. PLOTT,
J. F. HERMAN.

The report was considered by items and finally adopted as a whole as noted.

Under item 10, Revs. J. L. Murphy, D. E. Bowers and Elder G. A. Ramsaur were appointed to confer with Trinity church, Concord.

Revs. J. C. Leonard, J. M. L. Lyerly and Elder J. F. Herman were appointed on the Quarto-Centenial Observance under item 14.

In the consideration of item 20, Classis proceeded to determine the time and place of the next annual meeting. Faith Reformed Church, Salisbury, N. C., was chosen as the place, and Tuesday evening, May 1, A D. 1917, at 8 o'clock as the time of the eighty-seventh annual meeting of the Classis of North Carolina.

The committee called for in item 22 consists of Revs. J. L. Murphy, W. H. McNairy and Elder J. L. Fisher. This committee presented the following report, which was adopted:

Your committee to whom was referred the overture from St. James, Mount Pleasant, make the following report:

This overture asks three things. First, that Classis secure the control of the Reformed Church Standard. Second, that the paper be published and sent free to the members of the Reformed Church in North Carolina. Third, that an apportionment be laid upon the different churches to pay the expenses. Your

committe find that the paper belongs to the Rev. Dr. Lyerly and Rev. W. W. Rowe, that their holdings consist in a subscription list of 700 subscribers, that they want $150 for this interest, and that it will cost at the least estimate $1040.00 to issue 1,500 copies weekly. In addition to this will be added expense of mailing and editing.

In view of these difficulties, your committee do not recommend the adoption of the overture.

However, it is the opinion of your committee that the interests of the church in the state demand a paper published in the interests of our educational institutions and Orphan Home and we recommend that a committee be appointed to take the matter in hand to see if some arrangements can not be made whereby a paper may be established and published in the interests of the whole church in the state. This committee to report at some future meeting.

J. L. MURPHY,
W. H. McNAIRY.

In harmony with the above action, Revs. J. L. Murphy, W. H. McNairy and Elder J. L. Fisher were appointed with the instructions outlined.

ARTICLE XII

DELEGATES TO POTOMAC SYNOD AND GENERAL SYNOD

All ministers and the elder from each pastoral charge constitute the delegates to the Synod of the Potomac, that body meeting in general convention.

The tellers in the election of delegates to General Synod were Revs. J. A. Koons, H. A. Fesperman and Elders J. F. Herman and M. T. Roseman.

The following were elected delegates to the next triennial sessions of the General Synod:

Primarii: Ministers—W. H. McNairy, W. W. Rowe, P. Barringer, D. D., Shuford Peeler. Elders—J. T. Hedrick, J. R. Hoffman, J. O. Moose, J. W. Peeler.

Secundi: Ministers—D. E. Bowers, J. A. Koons, J. C. Leonard, D. D., J. L. Murphy, D. D. Elders—J. T. Plott, G. H. Geitner, J. F. Herman, J. E. Holshouser.

ARTICLE XIII

MINUTES OF POTOMAC SYNOD

The following is the report of the Committee on the Minutes of Synod. It was considered by items and finally adopted as a whole:

Your Committee on Minutes of Synod submit the following as their report:

Page 5. The following brethren attended the last annual meeting of the Synod in Greencastle, Pa., October 26-31, 1915: Revs. J. L. Murphy, D. D., J. D. Andrew, Lee A. Peeler, A. S. Peeler, John A. Koons and Elder E. A. Rothrock.

2. Page 24. Social Service.

Resolved, That this Synod encourage all its Classes, and through them all its pastors and people to give their sympathetic interest to all legitimate movements which have for their aim the confounding and destroying of all wicked devices formed against God's Holy word.

3. Page 61. Synod nominated the following for trustees of Catawba College: Rev. J. C. Leonard, D. D., M. A. Foil, M. D., H. E. Rowe, M. D., J. R. Hoffman, Esq., M. G. Lentz and Edwin Whitener.

4. Page 72. That the Stated Clerks of the several Classes are hereby requested to promptly transmit to the Board all Classical actions requiring the Board's attention.

5. Page 72. That the Treasurers of the several Classes are hereby urged to cooperate with the Board in its attempts to remit the appropriations at regular intervals to the students without making loans from the banks.

6. Page 81. United Missionary and Stewardship Committee.

Resolved, That this Synod greatly appreciates the creation of a Missionary and Stewardship Committee by every Classis within its bounds, and urges through the Classes upon the pastoral charges that all possible use be made of such Committees.

7. Page 81. The Outlook of Missions.

Resolved, That this Synod urges upon its ministers and charges through the Classes to put forth special effort to place the "Outlook of Missions" into every family and also to conduct Mission Study Classes and in every appropriate way strive to increase the missionary interest of the membership.

8. Page 81.

Resolved, That the Every Member Canvass be again commended through the Classes to our ministers and pastoral charges and that such canvass be made regularly every year.

9. Page 81. Home Mission Day and Foreign Mission Day.

Resolved, That Home Mission Day be observed by our churches and Sunday Schools, on the second Sunday of November and that special offerings be taken for the interests indicated by the Board of Home Missions; also that Foreign Mission Day

be observed on the 2nd Sunday in February, after the same manner, and the offering applied as indicated by the Foreign Mission Board.

Page 10. Sunday Schools and Young People's Societies.

1st. That the Sunday Schools and Young People's Societies be urged through the Classes to secure in membership all for whom they may be regarded responsible.

2nd. That Synod, through the Classes, recommends: (a) Regular and systematic efforts by the Sunday Schools and Young People's Societies to have all the children and youths attend the regular worship and prayers of the church, and that earnest attention be given to Cathechetical and to week-day religious instruction.

b) The importance of religious instruction and the erection of the family altar in each home.

(c) The homes and Sunday Schools and Young People's Societies be urged to avail themselves of the best equipment of books, perodicals, and lessons, which the Publication and Sunday School Board provides for religious instruction.

3rd. That the Sunday Schools through our Classis be urged to attain the standard of efficiency approved by General Synod.

(a) As to missionary instruction and the organized Bible Class.

(b) As to 10 per cent. increase in respect to enrollment, average attendance, and benevolent offerings.

(c) As to the careful fostering of the spiritual side of the work.

4th. That Consistories and Sunday Schools through our Classes be urged to use Reformed Literature and Perodicals, and that a committee on good literature and the Church Paper be appointed in every congregation.

5th. That Sunday Schools and Congregations through the Classes be urged to observe Children's Day, Rally Day, and Young People's Day annually, and make a contribution to the important causes represented by the Board.

6th. That Sunday Schools and Young People's Societies, through the Classes and Pastors, be urged to furnish their respective Classes with complete and accurate statistics, and that the summary be published in the Printed Minutes of Synod.

7th. That Synod urges Consistories, through their Classes, to lay the claims of the Reformed Church Messenger on all our people with the hope of planning an annual subscription in every home of each congregation.

11. Page 12. Benevolent Institutions.

Resolved, That the Hoffman Orphanage, the Nazareth Orphanage, the Phoebe Deaconess Home and the Ministerial Relief Society be commended to the liberality of the people through the Classes.

12. Page 124. The next annual meeting of the Potomac Synod will be held in Trinity Reformed Church, York, Pa., Oct. 23. 1916, 8 p. m.

13. Page 119. The following sums are referred to the North Carolina Classis for apportionment.

Potomac Synod's Contingent Fund	$ 106.00
Home Missions	4,582.00
Foreign Missions	3,540.00
Beneficiary Education	587.00
Theological Seminary	290.00
Synodical Indebtedness	135.00
Contingent General Synod, one year	77.00
Total	$9.317.00

Respectfully submitted,
J. D. ANDREW,
J. W. BELL,
E. D. FOX.

Items 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13 were adopted:

In item 3 the nominees for trustees of Catawba College were duly elected.

The apportionments named in item 13 were referred to the committee on Missions.

ARTICLE XIV

MISSIONS

The Committee on Missions presented the following report, which was considered by items and finally adopted as a whole:

The Committee on Missions beg leave to make the following report:

The following papers have come to us:

The annual statement of the Board of Home Missions and Church Building Funds and the annual statement of the Board of Foreign Missions.

Items 2, 3, 5, 7, 21, from committee on Overtures. The interest of the mission at Albemarle and the interest of the Re-

formed Church at Spencer and Kannapolis and apportionment sent down from the Potomac Synod.

We are sorry to learn from the statement of the Board of Home Missions that there was a falling off during the last year in the income of the Board. 1st. We recommend that the pastors and congregations be urged to rally to the support of the Home Board and to create a greater interest in Home Mission work. 2nd. That Sunday Schools and churches be urged to observe Home Mission Day on November 3rd. That the pastors and officers call upon the members who are able to contribute toward the erecting of church building funds.

From the statement of the Board of Foreign Missions we are glad to note that our foreign mission work is in a prosperous condition. We urge the people to rally to the support of the board and to consider seriously the proposition of each member to give the income of one day's work to the support of the work and the S. S. and congregations observe Foreign Mission Day in February.

(A) We recommend that Classis give the Mission at Charlotte $3,000 and treasurer of Classis to be authorized to borrow the same and pay over to the mission when it is needed, the mission to pay the interest.

(B) We recommend that the Catawba Charge be granted $200, provided that the apportionment be paid in full.

(C) We recommend that the Gilead Charge be granted $100 provided the charge procure a regular pastor.

(D) We recommend that the Guilford Charge be granted $100 provided the charge procure a regular pastor and pay apportionment in full.

(E) We recommend that Burlington Charge be granted $200 provided a regular pastor be procured and apportionment be paid in full.

(F) We recommend that Classis assume for Home Missions $2,500.

(G) That Classis assume for Foreign Missions $2,000.

(H) That Classis assume contingent of Potomac Synod of $106.

(I) That Classis assume contingent of General Synod of $77.

(J) That Classis assume $100 for Theological Seminary.

(K) That Classis does not see its way clear to assume apportionment for Beneficiary Education, but urges any member who is able to contribute for the cause.

(L) That Classis call the attention of Potomac Synod to the agreement that when the Synod's indebtedness for the Science Building was paid apportionment upon our Classis for synodical indebtedness would cease.

(M) We recommend that our interests at Kannapolis be placed under the care of Rev. Keller, Dr. Barringer and the pastor at Concord with instructions to organize a congregation.

(N) We recommend that our interests at Spencer be placed under the care of Dr. Leonard and Rev. C. C. Wagoner.

(O) We recommend that the mission at Albemarle be placed under the care of Revs. Koons, Wagoner, P. Barringer and W. C. Lyerly and that they arrange to give them a service twice a month regularly if possible.

Respectfully submitted,
W. H. McNAIRY,
H. G. KOPENHAVER,
J. O. MOOSE.

ARTICLE XV

NOMINATIONS

The following is the report of the Committee on Nominations, which was adopted, the nominees being elected:

Your Committee on Nominations beg leave to make the following report:

Trustees of Claremont College: C. C. Bost, Dr. J. H. Shuford, C. H. Geitner.

Board of Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home: 4 years. J. L. Murphy, D. D., J. M. L. Lyerly, Ph. D., W. W. Rowe, 3 years.—S. L. Whitener.

Mrs. Rebecca Solliday Church Building Fund: Rev. H. A. Fesperman.

Treasurer of Classis: Rev. D. E. Bowers.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN A. KOONS,
W. W. ROWE,
J. W. COOK.

ARTICLE XVI

RELIGION AND STATISTICS

The following report on Religion and Statistics was received and adopted.

Fathers and Brethren: The reports placed in our hands reveal the lights and shadows of the minister's life. There is evidence of trials and triumphs, of joys and sorrows, but amid it all there is not heard one sound of murmur, or complaint. Our pastors are brave, self-sacrificing men.

In the main we find a note of confidence in these reports which inspires us to greater things and to thank God for His blessings.

Prominent among the evidence of extension we note the enrollment of a mission in Charlotte and the reenrollment of our mission in Salisbury with a better feeling, new inspiration and a mind to work.

We note with regret that the mission at Albemarle has been dropped and the congregation likely to disband; the abandonment of our work at Blowing Rock.

There are six vacant charges in the Classis. Two of these have regular supplies. It is noted that every charge without pastoral oversight suffers. The reports emphasize the raising of money and the organization of societies, but not so much emphasis is laid upon spiritual growth and development. Notwithstanding the fact that emphasis is laid upon the financial side of church work, the reports show that the past year there was raised for congregational purposes $2261 less than the year before; for benevolence $1839; that there has been a gain of 122 in membership.

These facts and figures furnish food for thought. Can it be that the conditions of the country are so much worse financially, or is it that the introduction of automobiles and other extravagant means of living have dried the stream of benevolence?

Surely it is time that we pastors lay upon the hearts of our people the responsibility which rests upon them to honor the Lord with their substance.

Respectfully submitted,
J. L. MURPHY,
J. A. PALMER,
J. L. H. FISHER.

The statistics will be found in the appendix.

ARTICLE XVII
TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING

Faith Reformed Church, Salisbury, North Carolina, was selected as the place for the next annual meeting of the Classis of North Carolina, and Tuesday evening May 1, A. D. 1917, at 8 o'clock as the time.

ARTICLE XVIII.

EDUCATION

Report of the trustees of Catawba College:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

For the Board of Trustees of Catawba College, I beg to submit the following report:

The Board held its annual meeting May 25, 1915, with a quorum present and reorganized by reelecting S. L. Rhyne president with Dr. H. E. Rowe, vice-president. The past year's work was gone over and with pleasure it was noted that the enrollment was much larger than the preceding year.

The degree of A. B. was given Mr. A. R. Tosh who had completed the course as required by the catalogue for the degree and likewise the degree of B. S. was given to Mr. Herbert F. Ingle.

Certificates were given to Misses Mamie Lee Miller and Mary Field Lowrance in Art, to Miss Mattie Reinhardt in voice, and to Miss Mae Morrison in book-keeping.

The factulty for the year 1915-1916 is as follows: President, Rev. J. D. Andrew. A. B.; Department of Greek and French, Rev. W. W. Rowe, A. B.; English, German and History, Jas. A. Fry, A. B.; Mathematics and Science, H. B. Overcash, A. B.; Latin and Preparatory Mathematics, A. P. Whisenhunt, A. B. A. M.; Preparatory, A. C. Sherrill, B. S.; Business, Miss Flossie Frazier; Art, Miss Mary Barringer; Music, Mrs. W. D. Cochrane and Miss Myrtle Gross; Expression, Mrs. Chas. Brady.

The present year opened Sept. 7, 1915 with an enrollment of 85 pupils which has increased to 146. 73 boys and 73 girls. Of this number 72 are members of the Reformed Church; 52 of these are boarding students.

On account of the depression of business no effort was made during the year to secure new subscriptions to the endowment, but at the annual meeting of the trustees, pledges were made to the amount of several hundred dollars toward liquidating the indebtedness of the institution. In the present student body several boys are preparing for the ministry. The standard of conduct is reported very high.

Receipts

To cash in Banks at last report May 25, 1914	$ 2.69
To cash loan F. & M. Bank to pay teachers and bills	2,000.00
To interest	1,387.84
To Donations	1,336.04
To Tuition, books, library and lyceum	10,345.31
From all other sources	325.34
	$15,397.22

Disbursements

Insurance and interest	$ 950.88
Light, water and fuel	1,167.10
Postage, printing, advertising and traveling	457.26
Provision account	4,268.09
Teachers and matron year 1913-14	1,608.00
Teachers and matron year 1914-15	3,816.50
All other expenditures	3,125.64
Cash in Bank May 25, 1915	3.79
	$15,397.22

Indebtedness of Catawba College, May 25, 1915

Notes due Banks and individuals	$ 6,425.00
Due Soliday Fund	6,287.50
Due Endowment Fund	2,774.54
	$15,487.04

Estimated debt on running expenses for 1914-1915, $1,200.00.

The Endowment Funds are as Follows:

The J. G. Soliday Fund is	$20,000.00
The Alumni and General Endowment Fund as per notes and loan register is	$21,197.81
Cash in Bank	231.00
Bond of the Town of Newton	500.00
Total	$41,928.81
We have received since last report from the Treasurer of the Potomac Synod on principal of amount pledged	1,410.00
From the P. B. Fetzer note in full settlement	453.31

The proceeds of these two items have been loaned and are included in the amount of total loans.

We also received from the Emanuel Pontius bequests for a president's home $536.50. This amount has been loaned.

The Rebecca Soliday Fund is as Follows:

Amount of Loans	$1,400.00	
Cash in Bank	185.62	
	$1,585.62	
In account with the J. G. Soliday interest Fund.		
Cash on hand at last report		$ 2.70
To amount collected interest since that date		1,000.35
		$1,003.05
By amount paid to Ministerial Students	$1,025.00	
Due J. B. Leonard, Treasurer	21.75	

Supplementary Report of J. B. Leonard, Treasurer:

Receipts since last report.

Cash on hand at last report	$ 3.75
To cash interest on Endowment fund	1,162.11
To cash on tuition	8,168.92
To cash on pledge N. C. Classis	268.16
To cash from all other sources	1,890.12
	$11,493.06

Disbursements

By amount paid teachers 1914-15	$ 1,532.00
By amount paid teachers 1915-16	3,664.89
By amount paid interest	436.69
By amount paid taxes	48.45
By amount paid all other items	5,786.42
By amount cash on hand May 1st	24.61
Total	$11,493.06

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. ANDREW,

President Catawba College.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF CLAREMONT COLLEGE

To the Classis of North Carolina:

The trustees of Claremont College respected the wishes of Classis expressed in their action of last year and did not conduct a school under the conditions formerly existing between this body and the trustees of the College and therefore have no report to make.

J. L. MURPHY, President.

The committee on Education presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

The Committee on Education beg leave to make the following report:

First. As to the report of Rev. J. D. Andrew, President of Catawba College, we note with pleasure that the past year has been one of the most pleasant and profitable in the history of the institution. We also note with pleasure the increased enrollment in this institution and the decrease in the annual deficit over last year's annual report.

We recommend that pastors and people do all they can by prayer and tactful conduct to help this institution, and that congregations be urged to send their young people to this College.

Respectfully submitted,
J. H. KELLER,
SHUFORD PEELER,
D. F. McGILL.

ARTICLE XIX

Finance

The committee on Finance presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee on Finance respectfully submit the following report: We have examined the report of the Treasurer and find it correct. We recommend its adoption.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF CLASSIS

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Treasurer begs leave to submit the following report of funds disbursed during the Classical year:

RECEIPTS

Special Objects

Nazareth Orphans' Home—		
First Reformed S. S. Lexington	$152.30	
Beulah Reformed S. S., Upper Davidson	17.85	
Grace, Newton	47.76	
Hebron, Waughtown Charge	52.76	
Bethlehem, Waughtown Charge	5.05	
First, Waughtown Charge	13.61	
Lincolnton	7.47	
Total		$ 296.80
Sunday Schools—		
Emanuel Ref. S. S., Lincolnton	$5.13	
Mt. Zion Ref. S. S., West Rowan	8.50	
Total		13.63
Huss Memorial—		
Mt Zion, West Rowan	4.13	
Ministerial Relief—		
Lincolnton	0.50	
Foreign Missions—Special—		
Lincolnton	5.55	
Home Missions—Special—		
Mr. J. S. Wise, for Schlatter Memorial	2.50	
Rev. Dr. H. A. M. Holshouser, Memorial	2.50	
Mr. A. L. Shuford, Memorial	5.00	
Rev. D. E. Bowers, Memorial	10.00	
Gift of the N. C. Classis, Memorial	1,000.00	
Lincolnton	7.31	
St. Paul's. West Rowan	2.30	
Total		$1,029.61
Prince of Peace—		
Second, Lexington	$2.01	

RECEIVED ON APPORTIONMENTS

	Contingent	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Potomac Synod Contingent	General Synod Contingent	Catawba College	Theological Seminary
Balance in Treasury	$ 439 13	$ 172 56	$ 162 20				30
Bal. from Church Bldg	103 33						
Bal. from Syn. Indbt.	16 60						
Hickory	115 00	145 00	155 00	6 00	4 00	35 00	6 00
Guilford	45 00	25 00	11 83	5 00	3 00	5 00	
Faith	65 00	60 50	54 50	5 00	3 00	20 00	
West Rowan	98 00	100 00	100 00	6 00	4 00	23 00	4 00
Bear Creek	85 00	42 42	102 27			15 00	
South Fork	65 00	14 22	12 00	5 00	3 00	5 70	
Lincoln	55 00	39 00	16 00	4 00	3 00	18 00	
Newton	63 00	80 00	85 00	5 00	4 00	35 00	4 00
Gilead							
Salisbury	39 00	6 00		3 00	2 00		
First, Lexington	120 00	50 00	82 82	7 00	4 00	35 00	
Second, Lexington	3 00						
Lower Davidson	52 60						
Upper Davidson	115 00	58 00	40 00	8 00	5 00	15 00	
First, High Point	27 00	40 00	22 00	2 00	1 00	10 00	
Bethel, High Point	10 00		3 62				
Thomasville	35 00	25 00					
Emanuel	41 58						
Concord	35 00	42 00	42 00	2 00	2 00	10 00	2 00
Greensboro	40 00	20 00	18 00	2 00	2 00	3 00	
Burlington	18 80					11 16	
Lenoir	18 00	25 00	28 00	2 00	1 00	7 00	2 00
Brookford							
Catawba	40 00	23 42	21 00	2 00	2 00	12 00	
Waughtown	45 00	17 86	2 00	3 00	2 00	3 00	
Rockwell	56 00	45 50	26 30	4 00	3 00	20 00	
Albemarle							
Lincolnton	12 00	16 00	16 00	1 00	1 00	3 00	1 00
Mt. Bethel							
Winston-Salem	2 00	3 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00
Interest	79 26						
Arrearages							
Guilford	23 71						
Gilead	6 13						
Faith		37 00	37 00				
Second, Lexington		4 50	4 50				
Catawba		5 00					
Arrearages, Sustentation							
Thomasville	5 75						
Burlington	21 00						
Second, Lexington	3 00						
Bethel, High Point	1 78						
Arrearages, Church Building							
Burlington	1 14						
Second, Lexington	3 00						
TOTAL	$2004 84	$1096 76	$1045 04	$73 00	$50 00	$288 86	$20 30

Disbursements

Contingent—

Rev. J. C. Peeler, arrearages on Sustentation	$ 40.05
Rev. J. B. Swartz, arrearages on Sustentation	34.00
Rev. W. B. Werner, arrearages on Sustentation	34.00
Treasurer's Salary and Expenses	30.90
Stated Clerk's Salary and Expenses	62.26
Meeting of Ex. Com., for Rev. Causey	1.74
Minutes of Classis	145.85
Rev. Dr. Lyerly, Expense to General Synod	12.25
Rev. Dr. Murphy, Expense to General Synod	12.00
H. D. Warlick, Expense of Com. of Investigation	4.00
Rev. D. E. Bowers, Expense of Com. of Investigation	4.40
Contingent of Potomac Synod	106.00
Grace, Newton, for use of Church	5.00
Rev. W. H. McNairy, Expense of Com., Bethany U. D.	3.25
Rev. A. S. Peeler, Expense to Blowing Rock	3.60
Rev. A. S. Peeler, Expense of Com. on Mt. Hope	1.20
Intelligencer Printing Co., Express, etc.	7.73
C. M. Wolff, Treasurer, Synodical Indebtedness	16.60
Rev. W. B. Werner, Sustentation	58.33
Rev. J. C. Peeler, Sustentation	250.00
Notes of Classis	445.00
Interest on Notes of Classis	121.71
Total	$1,399.87

Home Missions—

J. S. Wise, Treasurer $1,006.06

Home Missions—Special—

J. S. Wise, Treasurer $1,029.61

Foreign Missions—

Rev. Dr. A. R. Bartholomew, Secretary ..... $ 908.04

Foreign Missions—Special—

Rev. Dr. A. R. Bartholomew, Secretary ..... $ 5.55

Sunday Schools—Special—

Prof. C. O. Althouse, Treasurer ..... $ 13.63

Beneficiary Education—

Rev. F. A. Rupley, Treasurer ..... $ 22.00

Huss Memorial—

J. S. Wise, Treasurer ..... $ 4.13

Nazareth Orphans' Home—

Geo. H. Moose, Treasurer $225.38

Rev. J. W. Bell, Supt ---------- 71.42

Total ---------- $296.80

Catawba College—
J. B. Leonard, Treasurer ---------- $288.86

Prince of Peace—
Rev. Dr. A. R. Bartholomew, Secretary ---------- $2.91

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

	Received	Paid out	Bal. in Treas
Contingent	$2004 81	$1399 87	$604 94
Home Missions	1096 76	1006 06	90 70
Home Missions—Special	1029 61	1029 61	
Foreign Missions	1045 04	908 04	137 00
Foreign Missions—Special	$ 5 55	5 55	
Potomac Synod Contingent	73 00		73 00
General Synod Contingent	50 00		50 00
Catawba College	288 86	268 16	20 70
Theological Seminary	20 30		20 30
Nazareth Orphans' Home	296 80	296 80	
Sunday School—Special	13 63	13 63	
Huss Memorial	4 13	4 13	
Ministerial Relief	50		50
Prince of Peace	2 01	2 01	
Beneficiary Education	22 00	22 00	

Indebtedness of Classis

Albemarle ---------- $ 87.37
Lincolnton ---------- 87.37
First High Point ---------- 500.00
Winston-Salem ---------- $1850.00

Total ---------- $2524.74

Arrearages

Contingent Fund—

Guilford $15; Gilead, $35; Second, Lexington, $11; Lower Davidson, $27.40; Bethel, High Point, $4; Emanuel, $38.42; Burlington, $61.20; Brookford, $12; Albemarle, $4; Mt. Bethel, $2.

For the year 1913-14: Gilead, $13; Salisbury, $10; for the year 1914-15, Salisbury, $12; Gilead, $18.87; Guilford, $1.29.

Potomac Synod Contingent—

Bear Creek, $6; Gilead, $3; Second, Lexington, $1; Lower Davidson, $5; Bethel, High Point, $1; Thomasville, $2; Emanuel, $6; Burlington, $6; Brookford, $1; Albemarle, $1; Mt. Bethel, $1.

General Synod Contingent—

Bear Creek, $4; Gilead, $2; Second, Lexington, $1; Lower Davidson $3; Bethel, High Point, $1; Thomasville, $2; Emanuel, $4; Burlington, $4; Brookford, $1; Albemarle, $1; Mt. Bethel, $1.

Respectfully submitted,

D. E. BOWERS, Treasurer.

We have made the following apportionment of the sums referred to us:

APPORTIONMENTS

	Contingent	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Potomac Synod Contingent	General Synod	Catawba College	Theological Seminary	Total
Hickory	$ 125	$ 190	$ 155	$ 6	$ 5	$ 36	$ 6	$ 523
Guilford	70	115	95	5	3	20	5	313
Faith	80	129	88	5	3	27	5	337
West Rowan	105	177	127	6	5	30	6	456
Bear Creek	90	135	169	6	4	30	5	439
South Fork	65	110	85	5	3	20	4	292
Lincoln	55	85	70	4	3	18	3	243
Newton	65	106	85	5	4	36	4	305
Gilead	40	65	50	3	2	14	3	177
Salisbury	25	25	25	3	1	5	2	86
First, Lexington	135	196	145	7	5	37	6	531
Second, Lexington	15	30	21	1	1	5	1	74
Lower Davidson	80	100	90	5	3	23	5	306
Upper Davidson	115	196	168	8	5	35	8	535
First, High Point	30	55	40	2	1	10	2	140
Bethel, High Point	15	25	18	1	1	5	1	66
Thomasville	35	65	48	2	2	10	2	164
Emanuel	80	130	90	5	4	25	6	340
Concord	35	60	42	2	2	10	2	153
Greensboro	45	65	48	2	2	12	2	176
Burlington	80	130	90	5	4	25	6	370
Lenoir	18	32	28	2	1	7	2	90
Brookford	12	25	15	1	1	4	1	59
Catawba	45	61	45	2	2	12	2	169
Waughtown	50	65	55	3	2	15	3	193
Rockwell	60	105	78	4	3	20	4	274
Albemarle	2	6	3	1	1	2	1	16
Lincolnton	14	22	18	1	1	3	1	60
Mt. Bethel	1	2	3	1	1	1	1	10
Winston-Salem	3	5	3	1	1	1	1	15
Charlotte	2	6	5	1	1	2	1	18
Total	1592	2500	2000	106	77	500	100	6930

Respectfully submitted,

D. E. BOWERS,
W. H. McNAIRY,
Per D. E. BOWERS.

ARTICLE XX

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The Permanent Committee on Sunday Schools presented their report, which was received and adopted. It will be found under that item in the report on the Minutes of Classis.

ARTICLE XXI

BENEVOLENT INSTITUTIONS

Report of the Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home

The Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home beg leave to submit the following report:

We learn from the Superintendent's report that at present forty-two children, twenty-one girls and twenty-one boys are being cared for, and that during the year two girls and one boy were dismissed.

We are glad to know that the general health of the children has been good, no epidemic having at any time during the year visited the Home.

We report that but seven months of school were maintained during the year, owing, the Superintendent says, "to delay in starting school in the fall, due to waiting with the understanding and in the hope that the school-room would be finished for occupancy." $85.50 has been received from county school fund for the purpose of maintaining the school.

Moral and religious instruction has been given, catechism taught, scripture memorized, Church and Sunday School regularly attended, and five of the children were confirmed this spring.

Industrial training of the children has been given, as far as it was possible under the circumstances.

The Ninth Anniversary, held last August 5th, was eminently successful in the way of attendance and interest. Each succeeding anniversary, so far has been better than its predecessor, and it is hoped that the Tenth Anniversary, this year on August 3, will be the best yet.

The Singing Class last year had a successful tour, which aside from adding to the fund of the Home, occasioned renewed interest.

Ten of the children were supported last year by individuals, congregations and Sunday Schools. Several were clothed by Societies, while other congregations by taking monthly collections have contributed more than enough for the support of a child.

During the year the new building has been almost completed, and we hope before the next anniversary it will be ready for oc-

cupancy. The great need now is money to pay for it, and if the people in our church are alive to the interest of the Orphanage and the Redeemer's Kingdom, the amount needed for this purpose will be forthcoming.

The farming operations of the past year are along the lines of the preceding year, and the members of the Board are hoping for better things along this line. Arrangements have been made as heretofore to expire Dec. 31, 1916.

The finances of the Home have been very encouraging, though no large single amount has come to the Home. The Mary A. Woodring legacy of $160 has come into the hands of the treasurer. The contributions for completing the new building have not been encouraging. It is the sense of the managers that the Superintendent is the proper person to present the interests of the Home both as to securing funds for the new building and general support of the Home. We believe that he should arrange with the various pastors and Charges, to visit, and present to each congregation in the Classis, every year, the interests of the Institution, and that Pastors and congregations give the opportunity to the Superintendent.

Thanksgiving and Christmas offerings should be, as far as possible, given the Orphans. Monthly offerings from the various Sunday Schools would go far towards meeting the current expenses.

The terms of office of Revs. J. L. Murphy, W. W. Rowe and J. M. L. Lyerly will expire at this meeting and it becomes your duty to elect their successors.

Resectfully submitted,

J. M. L. LYERLY, Pres.

The Committee on Benevolent Institutions presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Benevolent Institutions beg leave to make the following report:

Reports from three institutions came to hand for consideration, namely: The Board of Ministerial Relief, the Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows, and the Nazareth Orphans' Home.

The two Relief Societies are doing a work that appeals to our admiration and would urge Classis to devise a way whereby this matter might be brought before the people of North Carolina Classis, urging them to make an annual contribution.

The annual report of the Nazareth Orphans' Home is encouraging and hopeful, giving abundant evidence of faithfulness and

success on the part of those having charge of the Home.

Believing that this blessed cause can justly claim the attention and support of the members of the Reformed Church of North Carolina Classis, the committee beg leave to present the following recommendations:

1. That the Sunday Schools be urged to have a monthly offering for the Home.

2. That the Superintendent visit the various charges of the Classis every year to secure funds for the new building and the general support of the Home and we urge the pastors and congregations to grant this opportunity to the Superintendent.

3. That pastors urge their people to attend the anniversary to be held on August 3 if possible to encourage this cause by having special trains from the Eastern and Western sections of Classis.

Respectfully submitted,
C. C. WAGONER,
H. F. FESPERMAN.

ARTICLE XXII.

EXAMINATION AND LICENSURE

The committee on Examination and Licensure offered the following report, which was received and adopted:

Fathers and Brethren of North Carolina Classis:

The Committee on Examination and Licensure beg leave to report that the certificate of dismissal of the Rev. A. Klinger from the Presbytery of Little Rock, Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A. has been referred to us. We find the dismissal regular and in order and on examination of Rev. A. Klinger, the Committee recommend that he be received and his name placed on the roll of ministers.

J. M. L. LYERLY,
J. D. ANDREW,
W. A. WELKER.

Rev. A. Klinger, having subscribed to the constitutional formula, was received as a minister of the Reformed Church in the U. S., in connection with the Classis of North Carolina.

ARTICLE XXIII

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES

The following report of the Committee on Young People's Societies was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Young People's Societies submit the following report:

Twenty-one societies reported to the Classis, an increase of three Societies during the year.

These societies reported 736 active members and 56 associate members, an increase of 141 members. We are glad that work among young people is on the increase, and hope that during the coming year many more societies may be organized.

We also note with pleasure that during the year these societies have been active in raising funds both for benevolence and congregational purposes, having given $50 more than during the previous year. This activity will deepen the spiritual life of the members and equip them for larger service in the Master's Kingdom.

We recommend that Classis re-appoint a Superintendent of Young People's Societies, who shall assist in organizing as many new societies as possible.

Respectfully submitted,
SHUFORD PEELER.
J. O. MOOSE,
G. E. PLOTT.

ARTICLE XXIV

MISCELLANEOUS

Through Rev. H. A. M. Houlshouser, a request was extended from the Board of Trade of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, to be heard by Classis on the subject of the removal of Catawba College to this city. The request was granted. The hearing of this body was made the order of the day for Thursday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. The Board of Trade of Winston-Salem also extended an invitation to Classis for an automobile tour of the city Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The invitation was accepted. Accordingly at 1:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon, Col. Ludlow, President of the Board of Trade of Winston-Salem, was introduced to Classis and addressed the body on the subject of the bringing of Catawba College to the said city. Col. Ludlow was followed by Mr. Maslin in another interesting address. The President of Classis made suitable response.

Classis took the following action:

Resolved, That the Classis of North Carolina has heard with great pleasure and peculiar interest the proposition of the Board of Trade of Winston-Salem, through its officials, Col. Ludlow and Mr. Maslin, for the removal of Catawba College to this city, and that we assure the said Board of Trade that at the proper time we

will give the proposition due consideration.

Resolved, That in harmony with previous action of this Classis we do now adjourn in order to accept the courteous invitation of the Board of Trade of Winston-Salem for an automobile tour of their beautiful city.

At a later session of Classis the following action was taken:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Classis are hereby given the Board of Trade of Winston-Salem for the courtesies shown in conveying our body over the city.

Resolved, That we are not insensible to the interest manifested by the Board of Trade in having Catawba College located in this community, and that a committee consisting of the President, Stated Clerk and Treasurer of Classis, viz., Rev. L. A. Peeler, Rev. J. C. Leonard, D. D. and Rev. D. E. Bowers, together with Rev. H. A. M. Holshouser, Ph. D., be appointed to receive any proposition the Board of Trade and the city of Winston-Salem may have to offer, and that we will give serious consideration to the same.

Rev. D. Burghalter, D. D., Field Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions; Rev. C. E. Schaeffer, D. D., General Secretary of the Board of Home Missions; Rev. C. A. Hauser, Field Worker of the Publication and Sunday School Board; and Mrs. J. W. Bell, Matron of Nazareth Orphans' Home, addressed Classis in the interest of these several causes.

The following were appointed a committee on Plans of Finance to report next year: Revs. W. H. McNairy, H. A. Welker, Elder M. T. Roseman.

The following sums were referred to the committee on Finance for apportionment: Catawba College $500; Church Building $500; Printing of the Minutes $150; Contingent Fund $200; Treasurer's salary and expenses $30.13; Stated Clerk's salary and expenses $59.76.

Consideration of the interest of our denomination at Albemarle, Spencer and Kannapolis was referred to the committee on Missions.

Rev. J. A. Koons was elected Superintendent of Teacher Training in the Sunday Schools.

The Corresponding Secretary was instructed to call the attention of student Tosh to his failure to report to Classis.

The following resolution was adopted in regard to a Missionary Conference:

Resolved, That a committee consisting of three ministers and three laymen be appointed to consider the advisability of holding a Missionary Conference within the bounds of the North Carolina Classis sometime during the year, and that the chairman of this committee be permitted to supplement the Committee in case it is

decided to hold the conference.

The committee consists of Revs. A. D. Wolfinger, J. A. Koons, J. C. Peeler and Elders J. T. Hedrick, J. E. Holshouser and J. F. Herman.

The Lincoln Charge was committed to the care of Rev. J. D. Andrew.

The committee on Press offered the following report which was adopted:

PRESS REPORT

Your Committee to report the proceedings of Classis beg leave to submit the following:

The two daily papers of Winston-Salem, The Journal and The Sentinel, were reported to day by day with the assurance that Charlotte, Raleigh and Greensboro would get the reports through them.

Respectfully submitted,
H. A. M. HOLSHOUSER.
W. W. ROWE,
CLARENCE IKERD.

ARTICLE XXV

RESUMPTION AND CLOSE

The Committee on Leave of Absence presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

The following brethren have been excused from one or more sessions of Classis:

Revs. J. H. Keller, A. Shulenberger, H. A. Welker, D. C. Cox, W. C. Lyerly, J. D. Andrew, J. A. Palmer, Elders, G. A. Ramsaur, W. A. Welker, H. H. Hedrick, E. A. Sink, D. F. McGill. C. Ikerd, J. O. Moose, D. W. Palmer. H. L. Moose. E. D. Fox, J. E. Holshouser, J. L. Fisher, M. C. Barnhardt, Cook and Younts.

W. C. LYERLY,
H. A. FESPERMAN.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That the Classis of North Carolina, assembled in its annual sessions in the Waughtown Reformed Church, Winston-Salem, N. C., desires to express sincere thanks to the pastor, members and citizens of the community for the most cordial welcome and very generous hospitality extended to us during our stay here.

Resolved, That Classis present to this congregation the sum of $5 for the use of their Church during the meeting of Classis.

At the last session, all business having been transacted, the roll

was called and all persons not excused answered to their names. The Minutes of the day's session were read and approved.

ARTICLE XXVI

ADJOURNMENT

The Classis adjourned finally Friday evening, May 5, at 4 o'clock to meet in annual session in Faith Reformed Church, Salisbury, N. C., Tuesday, May 1, A. D. 1917, at 8 o'clock. p. m.

L. A. PEELER, President.
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

Attest: Official copy of the original Minutes.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF YOUNG PEOPLES' SOCIETIES

Name of Congregation	Name of Society	Name and Address of Secretary	Memb		Contributions			
			Active	Associate	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Other Benevolence	Congregational Purposes
Bethel, High Point	Christian Endeavor	Miss Mamie Goulsby, High Point, N. C.	33	2				
Trinity, Concord	Mission Band	Miss Ethel Lippard, Concord, N. C.	48				50 00	
First, Greensboro	Christian Endeavor	Miss Eunice Long, Greensboro, N. C.	12	7			7 00	5 00
First, Greensboro	Junior Christian Endeavor	Mrs. A. D. Wolfinger, Supt.	35					
Heidleberg, Thomasville	Ever Ready Workers	Miss Mamie Sullivan, Thomasville	35				1 00	25 00
Grace, Faith Charge	Mission Band	Miss Vida Wagoner, Rockwell, N. C.	30				10 00	
Bethel, B. C. Charge	Mission Band	John Penniger, Gold Hill, N. C.	61					
St. James, B. C. Charge	Mission Band	Georgia Barringer, Mt. Pleasant	18	7				
Pilgrim, U. D. Charge	Christian Endeavor	Miss Daisy Clodfelter, Lexington	39		2 00			
Ursinus, Rockwell	Mission Band	Jesse Holshouser, Rockwell, N. C.	65		2 00	10 00	13 00	
Bethany, Crescent	Mission Band	Maude Lyerly, Crescent, N. C.	39	25	8 00	10 00	3 00	1 80
St. Lukes, Rockwell charge	Mission Band	Eddie Belle Peeler, Salisbury, R. 6	22		2 00	5 00	2 00	
Corinth, Hickory	Mission Band	Aileen Aiken, Hickory, N. C.	37			34 40		
Zion, Lenoir	Mission Band	Elizabeth Link, Lenoir, N. C.	12		5 00	5 00	4 00	4 50
Faith, Salisbury	Christian Endeavor	Miss Pearl Trexler, Salisbury, N. C	21					
First, High Point	Christian Endeavor	Geo. Hedrick. High Point, N. C.	30					2 60
First, High Point	Junior Christian Endeavor	Annie Beck, High Point	29	3				2 00
First, High Point	Ernest Workers	Mrs. L. C. Furguson, High Point	19		5 00	5 00	2 00	37 60
First, Lexington	Christian Endeavor	Miss Elma Michael, Lexington	38		3 00	4 00	6 00	7 00
Grace, Newton	Christian Endeavor	Miss Carrie Thornton, Newton, N. C.	80	2			10 00	16 00
Grace, Newton	Mission Band	Miss Mary Lee Summerrow, Newton, N. C.	33					
		Total	736	56	$27 00	$73 00	$108 00	$100 30

STATISTICAL REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Name of Charge	Name of School	Name and Postoffice address of Superintendent	Name & Post Office Address of Primary Superintendent	MEMBERSHIP											EDUCATION					Ch' Relation			Contributions					
				Scholars							Home																
				Offi. and Teachers	Primary Dept. incl. Beginners	Junior Dept.	Intermediate Dept.	Senior Dept.	Total	Av. attendance	Cradle Roll	Home Dept.	Total Enrollment of Entire School	No. of books in Library	Are Ref'd Lesson Helps us'd in Sch'l	N. Org. Adult Cl.	Teacher Train'g C	Train'g Stu'ts En.	Miss'n Study Cl.	Scholars in full Church Membersh	Scholars Baptized but not Confirmed	Scholars Confirmed During the Year	Mis ns Home	Foreign	Gen. Syn. S.S. Wrk	Other Benevolence and other objects	Expenses and Support of School
Hickory	Corinth	B. B. Blackwelder Hickory, N. C	Mrs. H. C. Menzies, Hickory, N. C	21	80	23	33	58	215	150	30		245		yes					135	110	17	$19	$86	$3	$164	$129
Brookford	Brookford	Chas. Huffman, Brookford, N. C.		6	25	32		41	107	60			107		yes					79	25					39	25
First Lexington	First	J. T. Hedrick, Lexington, N. C.	Miss Beulah Hanner, Lexington	16	85	75	60	180	415	226	35		450	310	yes	3				215	60	19	86	3	1	64	278
Sec. Lexington	Second	T. A. Swing, Lexington, N. C., R. 2		10	40	35	34	25	150	92	16		166		yes	1				30	40	3				15	32
High Point	First	J. R. Young High Point, N. C.	H. H. Hedrick, High Point, N. C.	23	76	12	32	94	237	161	27	19	283	88	yes	2	1	7	1	87	30	8					286
High Point	Bethel	G. Y. Stone High Point		13	46	26		61	146	86			146	25	yes	2				23	25	2				22	74
Concord	Trinity	J. O. Moose Concord, N. C.	Mrs. B. A. Moose Concord, N. C.	18	30	25	14	38	125	75	10	18	153		yes					88	65		5	5	8	25	87
Lenoir	Lenoir	K. A. Link, Lenoir		11	17	19	9	10	66	43	8	12	85	110	yes		1	12		31	24		2			31	56
Lincolnton	Lincolnton	J. A. Shuford Lincolnton, N. C.	Miss Minnie Michael Lincolnton, N. C.	9	20	12	9	22	72	40			72	21	yes					38	20	3					34
Schlatter Memo	Schlatter Me.	H. A. M. Holshouser Winston-Salem, N. C.		7	40	10	8	18	85	47			83	8	yes					25	30					8	45
Faith	Shiloh	J. D. A. Fisher Salisbury, R. 3.		13	34	21		60	128	95			128	100	yes					81	35					95	40
Faith	Grace	G. A. Fisher, Rockwell, R. 1.		15	69	37	55	71	247	82			247	100	yes					137	27	13				40	23
Faith	Mt. Hope	G. M. Shuping, Salisbury, R-3.		11	30	33	37	41	152	80			152		yes	2				57	18					8	45
Bear Creek	St. Jame's	O. A. Barringer, Mt. Pleasant		14	28	25		45	116	75			116		yes					74	42					25	131
Bear Creek	Bethel	A. M. Penninger Mt. Pleasant, R-3		19	68	46	27	108	268	160			268		yes					143	125	11					98
Bear Creek	Boger	G. W. Watts Concord		11	45	16		85	156	72			156		yes					93	53	4					76
Catawba	Trinity	A. L. Shuford Conover, N. C.	Miss Essie Rowe, Conover, N. C.	12	44	14	8	50	128	81	16		144	35	yes	2	1	18		78	66	7	2	4	3	75	75
Catawba	Bethany	L. P. Wilson, Claremont, R-1		7	12	14	14		47	22			47		yes					26	21	6					16
Catawba	Smyona	Alva Martin Catawba, N. C., R-2		11	40	15	34	40	140	78			140		no	2				80	60	8	2	2		9	60

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					Scholars							Home														
				Offi. and Teachers	Primary Dept. incl. Beginners	Junior Dept.	Intermediate Dept.	Senior Dept.	Total	Av. attendance	Cradle Roll	Home Dept.	Total Enrollment of Entire School	No. of books in Library	Are Ref'd Lesson Helps us'd in Sch'l	N. Org. Adult Cl.	Teacher Train'g C	Train'g Stu'ts En.	Miss'n Study Cl.	Scholars in full Church Membersh	Scholars Baptized but not Confirmed	Scholars Confirmed During the Year	Home Mis ns	Foreign	Gen. Syn. S.S. Wrk	Other Benevolence and other objects	Expenses and Support of School
Upper Davidson	Beulah	M. L. Sowers, Lexington, R-4		11	25	40	35	100	200	80			200		yes					100	40						55
Upper Davidson	Bethany	Geo. Long Wallburg, R-1		10	20	16	13	52	111	45			111		no					68		1					13
Upper Davidson	Pilgrim	W. Lacy Leonard, Lexington, R-1		14	44	15	29	110	212	115			212		yes					130	39	7					28
Rockwell	Unsinus	G. H. Peeler. Rockwell	Annie Reinhardt, Rockwell	18	29	21	13	73	136	87	15		151		yes		1	12		102	44	6			3	28	76
Rockwell	Bethany	D. M. McCombs Crescent		14	44	23	31	22	106	75	10		116		yes		1	9		67	51	13			2	22	38
Rockwell	St. Luke's	Luther A. Peeler, Salisbury, R-6		8	16	7	11	34	76	45			76		yes					25	20	3			2	21	18
Gilead	Keller	B. L. Stanley, Mt. Pleasant		6	18	16		16	56	50			60		yes	1				30	20					2	25
Gilead	New Gilead	B. L. Stanley, Mt. Pleasant		12	25	20	30	25	100	60			100		yes	1				50	48	5				20	30
South Fork	St. Paul's	A. D. Hawn. Newton R.		8	23	35		50	116	90			116		yes	1				80	25			2		20	21
South Fork	Bethel	Gordon Whitener Newton, R.		8	12	15	--	35	62	40			62	25	yes					40	22			10		24	15
South Fork	Daniel's	J. R. Warlick, Reepsville, R.		5				30	30	20			30		yes					30						10	10
South Fork	Grace	A. M. Icard Lincolnton		8	5	10		20	43	35			43		no					30	12					10	10
Burlington	Burlington	L. A. Sharpe, Burlington		12	30	30	25	15	147	93		40	183		yes	2				75	40	1				64	90
Burlington	St. Mark's	W. R. Whitt, Burlington, R-1		7					75	50			75		yes					50	25	1					15
Waughtown	First	J. S. Wear Winston-Salem		19	37	41	12	69	178	98		12	190	2	yes	2				50	140						148
Waughtown	Hebron	L. L. Wilfong Winston-Salem, R-4		10	34	13		23	82	45			80		yes					35	45						11
Waughtown	Bethlehem	Chas. Hiatt, Winston-Salem, R-4		8	25	10		45	88	45			88		yes					18	30						17
Lower Davidson	Mt. Tabor	W. A. Beck Lexington, R-2		9	30	32	10	25	116	55			116		yes					55	50						15

STATISTICAL REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Name of Charge	Name of School	Name and Postoffice address of Superintendent	Name & Post Office Address of Primary Superintendent	MEMBERSHIP											EDUCATION					Ch' Relation			Contributions				
				Offi. and Teachers	Scholars: Primary Dept. incl. Beginners	Junior Dept.	Intermediate Dept.	Senior Dept.	Total	Av. attendance	Home: Cradle Roll	Home Dept.	Total Enrollment of Entire School	No. of books in Library	Are Ref'd Lesson Helps us'd in Sch'l	N. Org. Adult Cl.	Teacher Train'g C	Train'g Stu'ts En.	Miss'n Study Cl.	Scholars in full Church Membersh	Scholars Baptized but not Confirmed	Scholars Confirmed During the Year	Mis ns: Home	Foreign	Gen. Syn. S.S. Wrk	Other Benevolences and other objects	Expenses and Support of School
Lower Davidson	Hedrick's Gve.	R. L. Beck Lexington, R-2		8	25	22	12	25	92	47			92		yes					50	35						15
Lower Davidson	Jerusalem	O. C. Hedrick Lexington, R-2		7	21	20	16	22	79	40			79		no					20	16						12
Lower Davidson	Beck's	S. C. Burkshart, Lexington, R-6		8	25	25	15	36	109	53			109		no					45	12						15
Emanuel	Emanuel	J. W. Bowers Thomasville, R.		13	45	35	60	32	185	75			185		no					125	60					15	20
Emanuel	Zion	J. F. Mendenhall Thomasville, R.		9	18	21	30	25	94	50			94		no					110	16					9	40
Emanuel	Calvary	B. B. Black Thomasville, R.		11	22	35	40	39	126	70			126		no					74	20						11
West Rowan	Mt. Zion	G. A. Ramseur, China Grove		20	50	50	50	105	275	140			275		yes					150	125	12	25	25	7		90
West Rowan	St. Paul's	Clyde Deal Mooresville, R.		8	3	8	5	26	50	30			50		yes					29	16				5		15
Heidelberg	Heidelberg	F. M. Hunter, Thomasville		13	43	32	44	22	153	89			153		yes	3	1	9	1	85	20	3			2	85	36
Lincoln	Maiden Memo.	S. M. Finger, Maiden		10	21	16		18	65	40			65		yes												25
Lincoln	St. Matthews	Julius Shrum, Lincolnton, R-4		7	10	10		13	40	30			40		yes												15
Guilford	Mt. Hope	Miss Abegail Faust Julian, R.		12	50	7	13	70	162	80			162		yes	2				90		12				12	23
Guilford	Brick Ch.	Wilburt Clapp, Burlington		6	25	13	21	26	91	36			91	30	no					63	18						15
Salisbury	Faith	I. A. Nussman Salisbury, N. C.		11	23	9	7	48	96	50			96	80	yes					41	35					72	50
Newton	Grace	W. A. Rinehardt Newton	Miss Mattie Rinehardt Newton	18	60		50	81	209	125			209		yes					149	60	6	10	5		159	75
Greensboro	First	O. M. Rockett, Greensboro	Mrs. E. L. Wagoner Greensboro	17	57	57	22	61	214	115	18	15	247	125	yes	4				65						50	75
Total Number of Charges 27	Total No. of Schools in Classis 53		Total for Classis	312	1744	1204	969	2444	6971	3923	185	116	7270	1079		30	6	67	1	3646	1952	172	111	139	35	1338	2748

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					Communicants	Communed	Unconfirmed	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confirmed	By Certificate	Renewal of Prof'	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths Communic'	Deaths Unconfirm	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Schol. Home Dept Cradle Roll Inc.				For Benevolence	Congregational Purposes
	John Ingle	Green Park, N. C.	Without Charge																					
	Michael L. Hedrick	Lexington, N. C., R. 6	Without Charge																					
	Peter M. Trexler, D. D.	Salisbury, N. C., R. 6	Without Charge																					
	Paul Barringner, D. D.	Mt. Pleasant, N. C.	Without Charge																					
1	Joseph L. Murphy, D. D.	Hickory, N. C.	Corinth, Hickory	1	318	270	103	6		17	4				1		1	21	215	37		875	2712
2	Jacob C. Leonard, D. D.	Lexington, N. C.	First, Lexington	1	380	285	85	12	18	25	10	20	5	6	4		1	16	450	35		1171	1935
3			Hedrick's Grove	1	79	65	24		4	6		1	1		1		1	8	84			25	150
4	J. M. Luther Lyerly, Ph. D.	Crescent, N. C.	Mt. Tabar	1	80	68	29	2	4	4				5	4	1	1	9	107			20	130
5		Lower Davidson Charge	Jerusalem	1	35	30	13	2	3	4				3			1	7	72			15	65
6			Beck's	1	113	98	59	4	5	9	1	2		3	3	1	1	8	101			40	340
	James D. Andrew	Newton, N. C.	Pres. Catawba College																					
	Julius H. Shuford	Hickory, N. C.	Without Charge																					
7	Wm. H. McNairy	Lincolnton, N. C.	Emanuel, Lincolnton	1	54	44	13	3		3	3						1	9	72			76	496
	Henry E. Sechler	China Grove, N. C.	Without Charge																					
8	John H. Keller	China Grove, N. C.	Mt. Zion	1	326	260	210	20		13	8	3	3		1	1	1	20	275			500	880
9		West Rowan Charge	St. Paul's	1	54	42	18	2					5				1	9	50			60	175
10			First, Waughtown	1	58	36	1						2	5			1	19	190			56	144
11	David E. Bowers	Winston-Salem, N. C.	Hebron	1	95	65	20	3		4			2		1		1	10	86			188	117
12		Waughtown Charge	Bethlehem	1	36	24			2		3						1	8	80			12	71
13	Walter W. Rowe	Newton, N. C.	Grace, Newton	1	231	161	105	10		9	9		10	3	4		1	18	191	113	2	444	1750
14	Shuford Peeler	Charlotte, N. C.	First, Charlotte	1	18	16	1															10	101
	Allen R. Holshouser, M. D.	Rockwell, N. C.	Without Charge																					
	Anthony Shulenberger	China Grove, N. C.	Without Charge																					
	E. Garver Williams, D. D.	Tabor, N. C.	Without Charge																					
15	Lee A. Peeler	High Point, N. C.	First, High Point	1	122	100	30	4	6	8	8	3	7	10	1		1	23	260	81		163	947
	Joseph W. Bell	Crescent, N. C.	Supt. Nazareth O. H.																					
16	A. Samuel Peeler	Lenoir, N. C.	Zion, Lenoir	1	58	48	24	2	2	2	5		4		1	1	1	11	74	12		505	670
17	Columbus C. Wagoner	Salisbury, N. C.	Faith, Salisbury	1	70	50	30				13		52	3			1	11	96	21		80	794
18			Emanuel	1	157	115		2	3	3					3	1	1	13	185			15	462
19	Dugan C. Cox	Thomasville, N. C.	Calvary	1	58	35			1	1	1		1				1	9	50			32	123
20		Emanuel charge	Zion	1	110	60							25		2		1	11	126			18	495
21	Barder L. Stanley	Mt. Pleasant, N. C.	New Gilead	1	125	70	75	3		5	1		3			1	1	12	100				420
22		Gilead Charge	Keller	1	35	20	30	1									1	6	60				210
23			St. Luke's	1	57	54	17	4		3	1		1				1	8	76	22	1	82	250
24	John A. Koons	Rockwell, N. C.	Ursinus	1	106	94	53	1		6			4		1		1	18	151	65	2	170	550
25		Rockwell Charge	Bethany	1	77	74	24	2	3	13	2		3		1		1	14	116	74		124	300
26	Macon A. Huffman	Lexington, N. C., R. 2	Second Lexington	1	85	32			1	3				4	2		1	10	166			14	375

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					Communicants	Communed	Unconfirmed	Infant Baptism	Adult Baptism	Confirmed	By Certificate	Renewal of Prof'	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths Commnic'	Deaths Unconfir	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Schol Home Dept. Cradle Roll in.	Members Y. P.	Students for ministry	For Benevolence	Congregational Purposes
27			Pilgrim	1	215	175	21	6	3	8	4		6		2		1	14	212	39		261	372
28	Jacob A. Palmer	Lexington, N. C., R. 1	Beulah	1	211	165	25		1	1		1	1	8	5		1	11	200			84	320
29		Upper Davidson charge	Bethany	1	79	60	3		3	3		1	3	3	1		1	10	111			47	124
30			Bethany	1	47	43	21	4		6							1	7	47			19	80
31	John C. Peeler	Conover, N. C.	Trinity	1	81	78	33	5		6	4	1			1		1	11	144			176	675
		Catawba charge	St. John's																			
32			Smyrna	1	42	40	28	5		8	1						1	10	140			26	125
	Albert F. Nace	Albemarle, N. C.	Without Charge																			
33			St. James	1	87	61	31	1			1		8				1	14	116	25		280	391
34	Wm. C. Lyerly	Mt. Pleasant, N. C.	Bethel	1	198	173	88	3	1	12	5		4	1	2		1	17	268	61	1	326	468
35		Bear Creek charge	Boger	1	55	54	26	4		4	4	1	2		1		1	11	156			92	128
36			Shiloah	1	92	64	73		7		2	3	1				1	13	128	33	2	85	540
37	Harvey A. Welker	Salisbury, N. C. R. 5	Grace	1	137	112	50	3		13	11		5	1			1	15	247	30		95	440
38		Faith Charge	Mt. Hope	1	62	47	27	5			6		1		4		1	12	152			33	238
39	G. Ermine Plott	Thomasville, N. C.	Heidelberg, Thomasville	1	138	86	34		1	3	5		4		1		1	13	153	35		90	770
40	Harvey A. Holshouser, Ph.D.	Winston-Salem, N. C.	Schlatter Memorial	1	15	10	15	1			8	2	5				1	7	76			64	305
41			St. Paul's	1	90	75	25				2		2		1		1	8	116			30	200
42	Harvey A. Fesperman	Newton, N. C., R. 1	Bethel	1	70	55	22	3							1		1	8	62		1	23	200
43		South Fork Charge	Grace	1	77	60											1	7	42			26	200
44			Daniel's	1	55	40	20	4					2				1	5	30			24	200
45	Abram D. Wolfinger, D. D.	Greensboro, N. C.	First, Greensboro	1	144	95	60	2			3	1	6	8	1		1	17	247	56		200	1100
46	Harry G. Kopenhaver	High Point, N. C.	Bethel, High Point	1	66	38	25		1	1	3		1	4			1	13	146	35		31	290
	A. Klinger	Concord. N. C.	Without Charge																			
47		Concord. N. C.	Trinity, Concord	1	107	75	37	1					7		1		1	18	153	48		360	915
48			Burlington	1	235	62	1				8		5	10	4		1	11	246				
49		Burlington, N. C.	St. Mark's	1	135	75		4		1							1	7	75				
50		Burlington Charge	Fairview	1	28	21																	
51			Memorial	1	104	40		5		8	1		3				1	10	55				
52		Maiden, N. C.	Salem	1	29	25							1									37	100
53		Lincoln Charge	St. Matthew's	1	100	60					2		2		1		1	7	35			34	100
54		Albemarle, N. C.	First, Albemarle	1	16	13	11	1									1	3	40		2	4	
55	J. L. Murphy, supply	Hickory, N. C.	Faith, Brookford	1	77	40		5		10			4				1	5	103			4	70
56	A. S. Peeler, supply	Blowing Rock, N. C.	Mt. Bethel	1	6																		2
57		Julian, N. C.	Mt. Hope	1	218	118		18		28	1		5		3		1	12	162				275
58		Guilford Charge	Brick	1	108	75		5			1		1				1	6	91		1		75
			Totals	58	6061	4351	1640	168	69	250	141	39	207	77	59	6	54	610	7186	822	10	$7142	$23329

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1	J. W. Warlick	Corinth, Hickory	Hickory, N. C.	8	8			160	232				35	6		250		4	6			$25000	$5000
2	J. T. Hedrick	First Ref'd Lexington	Lexington, N. C.	10	10	180	35	85	100	50	10				35	690	50	4	7	40	100	26500	2500
		Lower Davidson Charge																					
3	R. L. Beck	Hedrick's Grove	Lexington, N. C., R-2	4	4		4																
4	A. H. Kepley	Mt. Tabor	Lexington, N. C. R-2	3	3		5																
5	Alex Hedrick	Jerusalem	Lexington, N. C., R-2	2	2		3																
6	S. C. Burkhardt	Beck's	Lexington, N. C., R-6	4	4		4																
7	J. A. Shuford	Emanuel	Lincolnton, N. C.	3	3	22		23	22							8		1	1	17	5	12000	
		West Rowan Charge																					
8	O. L. Linn	Mt. Zion	Landis, N. C.	4	4	132	12				8					85				300	107	5000	1000
9	J. F. McKnight	St. Paul's	China Grove, N. C., R-3	3	3	16	1													30	30	1000	
		Waughtown Charge																					
10	J. S. Wear	First Waughtown	Winston-Salem, N. C.	4	4	30	1	13								13		1	1	16	12	4000	2000
11	C. I. Nifong	Hebron	Winston-Salem, N. C., R-4	4	4	44		5								52		1	1	26	43	1200	
12	H. O. Bodenhamer	Bethlehem	Winston-Salem, N. C., R-5	2	2	15										5		1		3		900	
13	J. B. Leonard	Grace, Newton	Newton, N. C.	8	8	86	10	100	95					4	100	48		4	5	63	25	7500	2500
14	J. C. Peck	First, Charlotte	Charlotte, N. C.	2	2	8	2																
15	J. R. Young	First, High Point	High Point, N. C.	6	6	63	3	40	22						10	25		1	2	27	36	20000	
16	A. A. Blackwelder	Zion, Lenoir	Salisbury, N. C.	3	3	24	8	56	148					2	7	142		1	2	18	118	3000	
17	Geo. C. Fisher	Faith, Salisbury	Lenoir, N. C.	5	5	35	6	13	6							13	39	2	3		5	6000	2000
		Emanuel Charge																					
18	T. W. S. Grimes	Emanuel	Thomasville, N. C.	4	5											15						1500	1800
19		Calvary		3	2											9					32	1800	
20		Zion		4	4						1												
		Gilead Charge																					
21	Rufus Kline	New Gilead	Concord, N. C., R-3	4	4	35	8				5					25						1100	550
22	J. M. O. Rhymer	Keller	Kannapolis, N. C.	2	2	12	1				2					3						600	
		Rockwell Charge																					
23	Chas. B. Fisher	St. Luke's	Salisbury, N. C., R-6	4	2	18	10	12	10						5	50		1	1	11	2	800	1600
24	J. W. Peeler	Ursinus	Rockwell, N. C.	4	4	29	12	66	25						10	28		1	2	30	6	1100	
25	D. M. McCombs	Bethany	Crescent, N. C.	3	3	19	12	47	30						5	22		1	1	15	3	1000	
26	T. A. Swing	Second, Lexington	Lexington, N. C., R-2	3	3	40		5	4											5		1000	
		Upper Davidson Charge																					
27	A. P. Long	Pilgrim	Thomasville, N. C., R-1	4	4	68	1	50	40						15	36		2	3	50	65	3000	2000
28	M. L. Sowers	Beulah	Lexington, N. C., R-4	4	4	81										24		2	4	49	6	2000	
29	W. A. Murphy	Bethany	Thomasville, N. C., R-1	3	3	30										21		1	1	16	8	2000	

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		Catawba Charge																					
30	L. A. Wilson	Bethany	Claremont, N. C., R-1	2	2	16	2	4	4							2	6	1				500	800
31	C. C. Herman	St. John's, Trinity	Conover, N. C., R-3	3	3	23	6	13	12	32	4				12	75	25	1	1			2000	
32	Burton Hildebrand	Smyrna	Catawba, N. C., R-2	4	4	18	2	6	5							5	9		1			500	
		Bear Creek Charge																					
33	O. A. Barringer	St. James	Mt. Pleasant, N. C.	4	4	32	8	84	17	32				2	12	98		2	3	30		1500	1800
34	A. C. Lentz	Bethel	Gold Hill, N. C., R.	4	4	64	6	19	103	22				3	15	84		2	3	42	16	2500	
35	J. A. Safrit	Boger	Concord, N. C., R.	2	2	20		12	10	4					3	50				12		1000	
		Faith Charge																					
36	J. D. A. Fisher	Shiloh	Salisbury, N. C., R-3	3	3																	1000	1000
37	C. M. Fisher	Grace	Rockwell, N. C., R-1	4	4																	2000	1200
38	G. H. Pless	Mt. Hope	China Grove, N. C., R.	2	2																	1500	
39	F. M. Hunter	Heidelberg	Thomasville, N. C.	5	5	59	5	4	8		3					10				60	4	4000	1200
40	E. A. Sink	Schlatter Memorial	Winston-Salem, N. C.	1	1	8	5	3	3						1	20	2		1	12	22	6000	
		South Fork Charge																					
41	J. R. Fulbright	St. Paul's	Newton, N. C.	4	2	32																1400	1000
42	R. L. Whitener	Bethel	Hickory, N. C., R-1	3	3	30	6															1800	
43	G. S. Wilfong	Grace	Newton, N. C., R-1	3	2	37																2000	
44	J. R. Warlick	Daniel's	Reepsville, N. C.	3	3	15																2500	
45	J. F. Troxler	First, Greensboro	Greensboro, N. C.	6	6	81										120						18000	4500
46	W. A. Myers	Bethel	High Point, N. C.	4	4	20	2	13	3							8					6	5000	2000
47	J. H. A. Holshouser	Trinity	Concord, N. C.	3	3	48	10	42	42					2	10	2		2	2	35		4500	2500
		Burlington Charge																					
48	L. A. Sharp	Burlington	Burlington, N. C.	6	6																	3500	2100
49	W. R. Whitt	St. Mark's	Burlington, N. C., R-4	6	6																	750	
50		Fairview																					
		Lincoln Charge																					
51	S. M. Finger	Memorial	Maiden, N. C.	4	4	38														60		2500	2000
52	Jacob Ramsaur	Salem	Lincolnton, N. C., R-2	1	2	12																500	
53	H. J. Crooks	St. Matthews	Lincolnton, N. C., R-4	3	3	21														34		3500	
54	H. L. Moose	First Albemarle	Albemarle, N. C.	1	2	8	4															2200	
55		Faith, Brookford																					
56		Mt. Bethel																					
		Guilford Charge																					
57	R. B. Andrew	Mt. Hope	Sedalia, N. C.	6	4											30						3000	2000
58	William Albright	Brick	Gibsonville, N. C., R-2	6	4											18						3000	
			Totals	210	203	1560	194	875	941	140	33		35	19	240	2086	131	36	51	1001	651	204650	43050

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OF THE

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OF THE

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING, MAY 29, 1916.

Elder J. T. Hedrick and the Stated Clerk were present in answer to the following call:

Lexington, N. C., May 15, 1916.

Dear Brother:—The Executive Committee of the Classis of North Carolina will meet in the First Reformed parsonage, Lexington, May 29, 1916, at 10.00 o'clock a. m., to attend to the following items: 1. Reception of Mr. Jacob Nevin Lyerly as a student for the gospel ministry. 2. Report of the Committee on the installation of Rev. H. A. M. Holshouser as pastor of Schlatter Memorial Church, Winston-Salem. 3. Report of Student A. R. Tosh. Please notify your elder. By order of the President.

J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

The following action was taken:

1. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee to whom was referred the application of Mr. Jacob Nevin Lyerly to be examined as a student for the ministry beg leave to make the following report:

We have examined Mr. Lyerly and recommend that he be received under the care of the Classis as a student for the ministry. Respectfully submitted.

J. L. MURPHY,
W. W. ROWE.

2. The following report was received and adopted:

Your committee appointed to install Rev. H. A. M. Holshouser as pastor of the Schlatter Memorial Church, Winston-Salem, beg leave to report the duty attended to Sunday night, May 7, 1916. Respectfully submitted,

J. A. KOONS,
H. A. FESPERMAN.

3. The item was adopted.

The expenses of the meeting amounted to $1.00. The same was referred to Mr. Jacob Nevin Lyerly for payment.

J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, JUNE 22, 1916

Revs. L. A. Peeler and J. C. Leonard met in answer to the following notice:

Lexington, N. C., June 8, 1916.

Dear Brother:—There will be a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Classis of North Carolina in the First Reformed parsonage, Lexington, June 22, 1916, to attend to the following: 1. Dismission of Rev. A. H. Zechiel from Tiffin Classis, Synod of Ohio, to the Classis of North Carolina. 2. Call to Rev. A. H. Zechiel from the Burlington Charge. 3. Call to Rev. A. Klinger from the Guilford Charge. Please notify your elder. By order of the President.

J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

The following action was taken:

1. Rev. A. H. Zechiel was received from Tiffin Classis, Synod of Ohio, and his name placed on the roll of ministers.

2. Objection to action on this item having been filed by Rev. D. C. Cox, former pastor of the Burlington Charge, the call from the said charge to Rev. A. H. Zechiel could not be confirmed. At the request of Rev. D. C. Cox the Executive Committee agreed to communicate with the Burlington Charge and urge the payment of salary still due him by the said charge. Awaiting the action of the Burlington Charge, this item was held in abeyance until June 27, 1916, at 4.00 o'clock p. m.

3. The call to Rev. A. Klinger from the Guilford Charge was found in order and confirmed. The following committee was appointed to install him pastor: Revs. L. A. Peeler, H. G. Kopenhaver and A. D. Wolfinger.

The committee then adjourned to meet at the place named in the call June 27, 1916, at 4.00 o'clock p. m.

J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

The President and Stated Clerk, members of the Executive Committee, met according to adjournment. Letters

were read both from Rev. D. C. Cox, former pastor of the Burlington Charge, and John R. Hoffman, esq., President of the joint consistory of the Burlington Charge (the latter enclosing a note for the unpaid balance due Rev. D. C. Cox on salary), stating that satisfactory arrangements had been made between the said minister and charge. The call to Rev. A. H. Zechiel from the Burlington Charge was confirmed. The following Committee on Installation was appointed: Revs. A. D. Wolfinger, A. Klinger, G. E. Plott.

It was ordered that 75 cents be paid by Rev. A. Klinger and the Guilford Charge and $1.71 by Rev. A. H. Zechiel and the Burlington Charge to cover the expenses of the meeting. J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

SPECIAL MEETING OF CLASSIS, JANUARY 9, 1917.

The Classis of North Carolina met in harmony with the following call:

Lexington, N. C., December 21, 1916.

Dear Brother:—You are hereby notified that there will be a special meeting of the Classis of North Carolina in Faith Reformed Church, Salisbury, January 9, 1917, at 1 o'clock p. m., to attend to the following items of business: 1. Reception of Mr. O. Bain Michael as a student for the gospel ministry. 2. Communication from the Association of Schools. Colleges and Seminaries. 3. An overture for the further consideration of Claremont College. Please notify your elder.

By order of the President.

J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

Devotional services were conducted by the President. The following members were present: Ministers—Revs. J. L. Murphy, J. C. Leonard, W. W. Rowe, J. H. Keller, W. C. Lyerly, S. Peeler, G. E. Plott, L. A. Peeler, C. C. Wagoner, H. G. Kopenhaver, W. H. McNairy, J. C. Peeler, J. A.

Koons, J. D. Andrew, A. S. Peeler, J. W. Bell, J. A. Palmer, A. D. Wolfinger, J. M. L. Lyerly, H. A. Fesperman. Elders—M. T. Roseman, J. E. Corriher, J. O. Moose, J. E. Holshouser, J. L. Fisher, J. T. Plott. Dr. J. H. Apple, President of Hood College, was invited to a seat as an advisory member.

The items of the call were disposed of in the following action:

1. Mr. O. Bain Michael, on the recommendation of the Committee on Beneficiary Education, was received as a student for the ministry.

2. Classis endorsed the recommendations of Synod concerning the observance of the 400th anniversary of the Reformation with reference to the suggestions of the Association of Schools, Colleges and Seminaries. The following were appointed a committee to have charge of the work of presenting this cause to every member in the Classis: Revs. J. L. Murphy, J. H. Keller, A. D. Wolfinger and Elders J. T. Hedrick and J. O. Moose. The time for this presentation was made August 15 to September 15 of the present year.

3. The following resolution was adopted: *Resolved*, That we as a Classis release all claims upon Claremont College and hand the property over to Corinth Reformed congregation of Hickory.

The Minutes were read and approved and Classis adjourned.

L. A. PEELER, President.
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, APRIL 19, 1917

The Executive Committee of the Classis of North Carolina met in harmony with the following call:

Lexington, N. C., April 5, 1917.

Dear Brother:—The Executive Committee of the Classis of North Carolina will meet in the Reformed parsonage, Lexington, April 19, 1917, at 10.00 o'clock a. m., to consider a request of the consistory of Faith Church, Salisbury, that the time of the next annual meeting of Classis be changed from May 1 to May 9, 1917, at 8.00 o'clock p. m. Please notify your elder.

By order of the President.

J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

By general consent of the members of the committee the request was granted and the time changed from May 1 to May 9, 1917, at 8.00 o'clock p. m. It was ordered that notice of the change be given the several pastors and charges.

The expenses amounting to $2.00 were referred to the consistory of Faith Church for payment.

J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

EIGHTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSIONS

ACTS AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

CLASSIS OF NORTH CAROLINA

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ARTICLE I.

OPENING OF CLASSIS.

The Classis of North Carolina, Synod of the Potomac, Reformed Church in the United States, met in eighty-seventh annual sessions in Faith Reformed Church, Salisbury, N. C., Wednesday evening, May 9, A. D. 1917, at 8.00 o'clock. The liturgical services were in charge of Revs. W. C. Lyerly and H. A. Fesperman. The opening sermon was preached by the retiring President, Rev. L. A. Peeler, from 1 Cor. 3: 21-23. After the sermon the Holy Communion was observed, the services being in charge of Revs. W. H. McNairy and A. D. Wolfinger.

The Classis was formally constituted by the President, the Stated Clerk calling the roll of ministers and elders. There was a quorum present.

ARTICLE II.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

Ministers.—Revs. J. L. Murphy, D. D., J. C. Leonard, D. D., J. M. L. Lyerly, Ph. D., J. D. Andrew, W. H. McNairy, D. E. Bowers, W. W. Rowe, A. R. Holshouser, M. D., L. A. Peeler, J. W. Bell, A. S. Peeler, C. C. Wagoner, D. C. Cox, J. A. Koons, M. A. Huffman, J. A. Palmer, J. C. Peeler, W. C. Lyerly, H. A. Welker, G. E. Plott, H. A. Fesperman, A.

SOUTHERN CHAPTER OF THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY
THE EVANGELICAL AND REFORMED CHURCH
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

D. Wolfinger, D. D., H. G. Kopenhaver, A. Klinger, A. H. Zechiel.

Elders.—J. R. Jones, Guilford Charge; J. D. A. Fisher, Faith; H. A. Yost, West Rowan; A. D. Haren, South Fork; F. M. Holshouser, Faith, Salisbury; W. G. Hinkle, Heidelberg, Thomasville; M. R. Harris, Emanuel; W. C. Lemons, Waughtown; W. M. McCombs, Rockwell; E. D. Fox, Emanuel, Lincolnton.

At later sessions the following members appeared:

Thursday Morning: Ministers.—Revs. A. Shulenberger, J. H. Keller, H. E. Sechler, H. A. M. Holshouser, Ph. D. Elders.—G. Y. Stone, Bethel, High Point; A. A. Blackwelder, Zion, Lenoir; J. F. Troxler, First, Greensboro; G. L. Hedrick, Lower Davidson; J. O. Moose, Trinity, Concord; G. W. Watts, Bear Creek; E. T. Hedrick, First, High Point; D. L. Brinkley, First, Lexington; J. T. Leonard, Upper Davidson; E. A. Sink, Schlatter Memorial, Winston-Salem; A. L. Shuford, Catawba; C. H. Geitner, Corinth, Hickory.

Thursday Afternoon: Rev. B. L. Stanley.

Friday Morning: Ministers.—Revs. P. M. Trexler, D. D., Shuford Peeler. Elders. — H. J. Crooks, Lincoln; H. L. Moose, First, Albemarle; M. C. Barnhart, First, Charlotte.

Friday Afternoon: Rev. P. Barringer, D. D.

Elder John W. Hedrick, *secundus*, occupied the seat of Elder E. T. Hedrick during the sessions of Friday.

The following elders were accorded seats as advisory members: J. H. Moose, J. W. Peeler, J. V. Fisher, Dr. A. W. Moose, J. T. Hedrick.

Rev. Byron Clark, D. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Salisbury, was invited to a seat as a visiting brother.

Divinity Students Robert Thena and F. L. Fesperman were invited to seats in Classis.

The following ministers were absent: Revs. John Ingle, M. L. Hedrick, E. G. Williams, D. D., Julius H. Shuford.

Rev. E. G. Williams failed to report to Classis.

The following charges were not represented by elders: Grace, Newton; Gilead; Second, Lexington; Burlington; Brookford; Mt. Bethel.

Roll of Elders.

Charge	*Primarius*	*Secundus*
Corinth, Hickory	J. W. Warlick	C. H. Geitner
Guilford	J. R. Jones	
Faith	J. D. A. Fisher	W. Wagoner
West Rowan	H. A. Propst	S. J. Deal
Bear Creek	G. W. Watts	G. A. Boger
South Fork	A. D. Haren	G. W. Wilson
Lincoln	P. E. Campbell	H. J. Crooks
Grace, Newton	Dr. H. E. Rowe	J. L. Herman
Gilead	Cullen Dayvault	J. O. Cook
Faith, Salisbury	F. M. Holshouser	John V. Fisher
First, Lexington	D. L. Brinkley	P. J. Leonard
Second, Lexington	G. W. Leonard	R. A. Burkhart
Lower Davidson	G. L. Hedrick	E. A Hedrick
Upper Davidson	J. Thomas Leonard	A. P. Long
First, High Point	E. T. Hedrick	John W. Hedrick
Bethel, High Point	W. A. Myers	G. Y. Stone
Heidelberg, Thomasville	W. G. Hinkle	W. S. Long
Emanuel	M. R. Harris	T. W. S. Grimes
Trinity, Concord	J. O. Moose	J. W. Cook
First, Greensboro	J. F. Troxler	J. H. Low
Burlington	J. R. Hoffman, Esq	Jacob Slaughter
Lenoir	A. A. Blackwelder	J. P. Rabb
Brookford	Yoder Warren	Laban Reese
Catawba	A. L. Shuford	J. A. Propst
Waughtown	W. C Lemons	W. W. Pegram
Rockwell	W. M. McCombs	J. R. Fisher
First, Albemarle	H. L. Moose	
Emanuel, Lincolnton	E. D. Fox	S. R. Warlick
Winston-Salem	E. A. Sink	
First, Charlotte	M. C. Barnhart	J. C. M. Rymer
Mt. Bethel		

ARTICLE III.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The following were elected officers for the ensuing Classical year: Rev. D. C. Cox, Thomasville, N. C., President;

Elder A. A. Blackwelder, Lenoir, N. C., Vice President; Rev. W. C. Lyerly, Mt. Pleasant, N. C., Reading Clerk; Rev. G. E. Plott, Thomasville, N. C., Corresponding Secretary. Rev. J. C. Leonard was re-elected Stated Clerk for a term of five years.

ARTICLE IV.

PERMANENT COMMITTEES.

1. *Executive Committee*: Revs. D. C. Cox, J. C. Leonard and Elder D. L. Brinkley.

2. *Sunday Schools*: Revs. J. C. Peeler, J. A. Koons and Elder J. R. Young.

3. *Missionary and Stewardship*: Revs. A. D. Wolfinger, J. C. Peeler, J. A. Koons, J. A. Palmer; Elders A. A. Blackwelder, J. D. A. Fisher, J. T. Hedrick, John W. Hedrick.

4. *Mrs. Rebecca Solliday Church-building Fund*: Rev. J. M. L. Lyerly, 3 years; Rev. H. A. Fesperman, 2 years; Rev. W. W. Rowe, 1 year.

5. *George G. Solliday Beneficiary Education Fund*: Revs. J. L. Murphy, W. W. Rowe and J. D. Andrew.

6. *Trustees of Classis*: Rev. J. L. Murphy, Messrs. T. L. Hunsucker and J. A. Propst.

ARTICLE V.

RULES OF ORDER.

The Rules of Order adopted by the General Synod were observed in the sessions of Classis. The President defined the Bar of the House to be the first five rows of pews in front of the chancel. The following hours were fixed for opening and closing: Meet at 9 o'clock a. m. and adjourn at 5 p. m., with a recess from 11.30 a. m. to 1.30 p. m.

ARTICLE VI.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The President announced the following Standing Committees:

1. *Religious Services*: Revs. C. C. Wagoner, M. A. Huffman and Elder F. M. Holshouser.

2. *Minutes of Classis*: Revs. J. C. Leonard, J. A. Koons and Elder J. R. Jones.

3. *Minutes of Potomac Synod*: Revs. W. W. Rowe, H. A. Fesperman and Elder J. D. A. Fisher.

4. *Overtures*: Revs. A. H. Zechiel, A. R. Holshouser and Elder H. A. Yost.

5. *Missions*: Revs. J. L. Murphy, G. E. Plott and Elder M. R. Harris.

6. *Benevolent Institutions*: Revs. H. G. Kopenhaver, J. C. Peeler and Elder A. D. Haren.

7. *Education*: Revs. A. D. Wolfinger, H. A. Welker and Elder W. C. Lemons.

8. *State of the Church*: Revs. L. A. Peeler, J. A. Palmer and Elder W. M. McCombs.

9. *Nominations*: Revs. J. W. Bell, A. Klinger and Elder E. D. Fox.

10. *Finance*: Revs. D. E. Bowers, W. H. McNairy and Elder W. G. Hinkle.

11. *Examination and Licensure*: Revs. J. D. Andrew, J. L. Murphy and Elder J. O. Moose.

12. *Young People's Societies*: Revs. A. S. Peeler, J. A. Koons and Elder G. W. Watts.

13. *Press*: Revs. J. M. L. Lyerly, C. C. Wagoner and Elder J. F. Troxler.

14. *Leave of Absence*: Revs. J. H. Keller, A. Shulenberger and Elder G. L. Hedrick.

ARTICLE VII.

COMMUNICATIONS.

1. Copies of the Minutes of Classis and of the Synod of the Potomac were referred to the committees on these subjects.

2. The Treasurer's report was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

3. The report of the Trustees of Catawba College was read and referred to the Committee on Education.

4. Reports from the Boards of Missions were referred to the Committee on Missions.

5. Reports of the managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home, the Relief Societies and the Sunday School Board were read and referred to the proper committees.

6. Other communications were received and referred to the Committee on Overtures.

ARTICLE VIII.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

The sessions of each day were opened and closed with devotional services. The Standing Committee on this subject presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Religious Services beg leave to make the following report:

Wednesday night, May 9, 8 p. m.: Opening sermon, Rev. L. A. Peeler; Holy Communion; Organization of Classis.

Thursday night, May 10, 8 p. m.: The Necessity of Having a Strong Institution of Learning in North Carolina, Rev. J. A. Palmer; The Support That Catawba College Should Have From North Carolina Classis, Pres. J. D. Andrew.

Friday night, May 11, 8 p. m.: Home Missions, Rev. A. H. Zechiel; Foreign Missions, Rev. H. A. Welker.

Sunday, May 13, 10 a. m., addresses on Sunday School Work; 11 a. m., sermon, Rev. A. H. Zechiel; 8 p. m., sermon, Rev. M. A. Huffman.

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. WAGONER,
M. A. HUFFMAN,
F. M. HOLSHOUSER.

ARTICLE IX.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

The reading of parochial reports was dispensed with. The roll was called and all the ministers except Rev. E. G. Williams presented reports to Classis. The constitutional questions were asked, and the elders gave satisfactory answers. The reports were referred to the Committee on the State of the Church.

ARTICLE X.

MINUTES OF CLASSIS.

The committee presented the following report, which was acted upon item by item and finally adopted as a whole as indicated:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on the Minutes of Classis beg leave to present the following items of unfinished business:

1. Page 16. Permanent Committees.

a Executive Committee.

b Sunday Schools, Rev. J. C. Peeler, chairman.

c Missionary and Stewardship, Rev. A. S. Peeler, chairman.

d Mrs. Rebecca Solliday Church-building Fund.

e George G. Solliday Beneficiary Education Fund, Rev. J. L. Murphy, chairman.

f Trustees of Classis.

g Financial Plans, Rev. W. H. McNairy, chairman.

h Four-hundredth Anniversary.

2. Page 25. The Lower Davidson Charge was placed under the care of Rev. J. M. L. Lyerly.

3. Page 26. Rev. J. A. Palmer was appointed superintendent of Young People's Work.

4. Page 26. The Blowing Rock Mission was placed under the care of Rev. J. D. Andrew.

5. Page 27. The Beneficiary Education Committee was instructed to make final settlement of the claims of Classis against former Student Peck.

6. Page 27. The same committee was given similar instructions concerning former Student Fogleman.

7. Page 29. The interest at Spencer was committed to the care of Revs. J. C. Leonard and C. C. Wagoner.

8. Page 32. The church at Brookford was placed under the care of Rev. J. L. Murphy.

9. Page 34. The Second Church of Lexington was placed under the care of Rev. J. C. Leonard.

10. Page 34. The following were appointed a committee to confer with Trinity Church, Concord: Revs. J. L. Murphy, D. E. Bowers and Elder G. A. Ramsaur.

11. Page 35. Revs. J. L. Murphy, W. H. McNairy and Elder J. L. Fisher were appointed to consider the matter of an official church paper for Classis.

12. Page 39. Sustentation was granted Catawba, Gilead, Guilford and Burlington Charges on certain conditions.

13. Page 40. The interest at Kannapolis was placed in the care of Revs. J. H. Keller and P. Barringer, with instructions to organize a congregation.

14. Page 40. The Albemarle Church was committed to the care of Revs. J. A. Koons, C. C. Wagoner, P. Barringer and W. C. Lyerly.

15. Page 56. The officers of Classis, with certain others, were appointed to confer with the Board of Trade of Winston-Salem in regard to the proposal of the latter concerning Catawba College.

16. Page 56. Rev. J. A. Koons was appointed Superintendent of Teacher Training.

17. Special. Revs. L. A. Peeler, H. G. Kopenhaver and A. D. Wolfinger were appointed to install Rev. A. Klinger pastor of the Guilford Charge.

18. Special. Revs. A. D. Wolfinger, A. Klinger and G. E. Plott were appointed to install Rev. A. H. Zechiel pastor of the Burlington Charge.

19. Special. A committee was appointed to carry out the recommendations of the Association of Schools, Colleges and Seminaries, Rev, J. L. Murphy, chairman.

20. Page 57. The Lincoln Charge was committed to the care of Rev. J. D. Andrew.

21. Page 57. Rev. A. D. Wolfinger was made chairman of a Committee on Summer Missionary Conferences.

22. Page 20. Hopewell Church, Forsyth county, was committed to Rev. H. A. M. Holshouser.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. Leonard,
J. A. Koons,
J. R. Jones.

1. The following several reports were received and adopted:

(*a*)

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

The Executive Committee of Classis beg leave to report that meetings were held during the year at such times as requested. We herewith submit the Minutes of said meetings. We recommend that hereafter the Treasurer of Classis be instructed to pay the expenses incurred by the meetings of this committee.

Resqectfully submitted,
J. C. Leonard, Stated Clerk.

The Executive Committe for the coming year consists of Revs. D. C. Cox, J. C. Leonard and Elder D. L. Brinkley.

(*b*)

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Sunday Schools beg leave to make the following report:

Reports have been received from all of the schools in the Classis. The reports indicate that the Sunday school work in the Classis is steadily growing and that higher standards of efficiency are being attained.

The committee met in High Point in October and laid plans for carrying on the Sunday School Increase Campaign. The majority of the schools entered into this movement, and splendid results followed.

There has been an increase in all departments, but most noticeably in the contributions. The average attendance is as yet not what it should be, but there were many things during the past year to interfere with the attendance. In many of the town congregations the schools were suspended on account of contagious diseases, and those that did not suspend were greatly affected. The unusual rough winter interfered with the work of the country schools.

We note with pleasure the effective work done in the Teacher Training Department, and trust that this good work will continue.

The following recommendations are submitted for your consideration:

1. That we continue to carry on with zeal the Sunday School Increase Campaign until October 31, 1917.

2. That we urge all schools within the Classis to take advantage of the free literature by our Sunday School and Publication Board, and that this literature be placed in the homes of the schools.

3. That we urge pastors and superintendents to establish new schools in communities adjacent to them, where the present Sunday School facilities are inadequate.

The expense of the committee is $3.50.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN C. PEELER,
JOHN A. KOONS,
J. R. YOUNG.

The expense item was referred to the Treasurer for payment.

The same brethren were continued as the Permanent Committee on Sunday Schools.

(*c*)

Your Missionary and Stewardship Committee offer the following report:

Realizing that the Church of Christ rests on a sure foundation, it is becoming more and more apparent that

the Church can not do its work in the haphazard, loose, unscriptural way used in former days. Therefore our denomination, along with the others, has authorized the introduction of business methods in her work, especially as pertains to the finances, which constitute the working basis of any church. Therefore this special committee was appointed to help put the finances, especially the benevolences, on a solid and much more liberal basis by encouraging and assisting, where needed, in raising the full apportionment through the Every-member Canvass in every church.

This work has been attempted by your humble committee through recommendations and personal interviews with pastors, by circular and personal letters to officers and pastors, also through helpful literature.

Not much result is seen yet in several charges where the canvass has just been recently made, but splendid increases are reported for the ensuing year. This report must necessarily be incomplete, since only about half have responded to the request made by the committee for information along these lines. Out of twenty-nine churches heard from, twenty-four claim to have made the Every-member Canvass during the Classical year. Twenty-one congregations made the canvass for current expenses and benevolences; twelve report the canvass as thoroughly organized; of those reporting about 83 per cent. pledged for missions and benevolences; a certain charge reports an increase of about 50 per cent. in the several churches in the charge; fourteen congregations reporting use the duplex envelope. The duplex system still leads in good results, and we earnestly urge its use in every congregation. A fair trial will prove its merit. If the minister believes it the best, he can in almost every instance lead his consistory to adopt it, and through them the people can be led to use it. In dealing with the financial work in the proper manner, your committee believes a good moral and spiritual work can also be done and the people be given a new and Biblical interest in Christian liberality.

The committee reports $11.50 as the total expense for the Classical year. Respectfully submitted,

A. S. Peeler,
H. A. Welker,
John F. Troxler.

The expense item was referred to the Treasurer for payment.

(*d*)

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

The Mrs. Rebecca Solliday Fund Committee beg leave to report that no loans were made during the past year.

The Lincolnton Mission has paid its loan received a few years ago. There is on hand now the sum of $743.62 that can be used for mission work.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. MURPHY,
W. W. ROWE,
H. A. FESPERMAN,
J. M. L. LYERLY.

(*e*)

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on the Solliday Beneficiary Fund beg leave to report that during the past year the following young men have each received the sum of $100: Students A. R. Tosh, S. A. Troxell, G. A. Ingle, A. C. Peeler, F. L. Fesperman, Sterling Whitener, J. T. Fesperman, B. J. Peeler, Felix B. Peck and O. Bain Michael. Mr. R. D. Peeler requests that he be released from under the care of Classis, and your committee recommend that the request be granted.

Your committee, to whom was referred the special report of the Board of Education, note the facts as related therein. We desire to inform the Board of Education that we are in sympathy with its work in securing a greater number of students for the ministry and also larger giving to the work of beneficiary education.

Your committee would recommend that all pastors prayerfully lay this matter upon the hearts of their people—especially calling the attention of young men to the great work of the ministry and the importance of contributing to the support of the Board's work.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. MURPHY,
W. W. ROWE,
J. D. ANDREW.

The members of this committee were re-appointed.

(*f*)

The Trustees of Classis present the following report:

The Trustees of Classis have done nothing with the St. Peter's Church property, but have been in conference with

certain parties who wish to buy the timber, and if satisfactory terms can be agreed upon the timber will be sold.

No other matter has been intrusted to us.

J. L. MURPHY.

The Trustees were re-appointed.

(*g*)

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Plan of Finances believe that some change ought to be made in our financial system, but under present conditions have nothing different to offer.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. MCNAIRY,
H. A. WELKER.

(*h*)

Your committe appointed to map out a course for the proper observance of the 400th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation beg leave to report that we attended to the duty and published same in the *Reformed Church Standard*. It is with peculiar pleasure we learn that there has been a general observance of this great and important anniversary throughout the churches of the Classis. The lectures and addresses of Rev. James I. Good, D. D., LL. D., in several of the churches added much to the profit of the observance. We recommend that any of our congregations that have not yet taken note of this anniversary be urged to do so within the present year. Respectfully submitted,

J. C. LEONARD,
J. M. L. LYERLY,
J. F. HERMAN.

2. The parochial report was read. The Lower Davidson Charge was again committed to the care of Rev. J. M. L. Lyerly. The supply and the officers of the churches were urged to secure a regular pastor.

3. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

As Superintendent of Young People's Societies I beg leave to report that I have not been called upon by any pastor or congregation for services in the way of organizing new societies or otherwise. However, I learn that several new ones have been organized, which is encouraging.

It seems to me that if the Superintendent of Young People's Societies is to be of service to this Classis, something definite should be given him to do.

Humbly submitted,
J. A. PALMER.

Rev. J. A. Palmer was re-elected Superintendent of Young People's Societies.

4. The parochial report was read. Mt. Bethel Church was placed in the care of the Trustees of Classis.

5. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee would report in regard to the matter with Rev. J. M. Peck that he has taken up work in Southern territory, and in view of this is released from refunding the amount received from the Solliday Fund.

Respectfully submitted
J. L. MURPHY,
W. W. ROWE,
J. D. ANDREW.

6. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee would report that Mr. C. E. Fogleman has not as yet made full settlement of the amount received. He has paid $30 on same. He requests that he be permitted to pay same on the installment plan.

Respectfully submitted,
J. L. MURPHY,
W. W. ROWE,
J. D. ANDREW.

The instructions were continued.

7. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis:

Your committee on the Spencer interest beg leave to report that we have been unable to hold regular services. The Board of Home Missions hold the deed to the property. We recommend that the interest be committed to the care of some of the brethren, since conditions may arise whereby effective work might be done.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. LEONARD,
C. C. WAGONER.

This interest was committed to the care of Rev. C. C. Wagoner.

8. The parochial report was read.

9. The parochial report was read.

10. The following report was received and adopted:

Your committe appointed to confer with Trinity Church, Concord, report:

Two members of the committee visited Trinity Church and held a conference with the consistory and found them anxious to reach some understanding. It was agreed that Rev. J. L. Murphy pay another visit to the congregation and this was done, and at this meeting resolutions were adopted pledging each member to loyal support of the consistory. We are informed that the difficulties have been adjusted, but no pastor has been secured. J. L. MURPHY.

11. Consideration of the item was made the order of the day for Friday morning at 10 o'clock. The following report was received, considered at length and adopted by an aye and no vote, as noted below:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee appointed last year on the matter of an official church paper for the Classis beg leave to make the following recommendation:

That the Classis of North Carolina agree to pay to Rev. J. M. L. Lyerly, owner of the *Reformed Church Standard*, the sum of $150 for the paper, and that Classis elect an Editor-in-chief, a Business Manager and a Board of Associate Editors to be composed of a representative from each district of the Classis, of Catawba College and Nazareth Orphans' Home. The persons so elected shall formulate plans for running the paper, Classis being responsible for the financial support of the paper. Respectfully submitted,

J. L. MURPHY,
W. H. MCNAIRY.

The following is the vote:

Aye: Murphy, Leonard, Lyerly, Andrew, McNairy, Bowers, Rowe, S. Peeler, Bell, A. S. Peeler, Wagoner, Cox, Koons, Huffman, Palmer, J. C. Peeler, W. C. Lyerly, Welker, Plott, Fesperman, Wolfinger, Kopenhaver, Klinger, Zechiel, Jones, Yost, Fisher, Watts, Haren, Crooks, F. M. Holshouser, G.

L. Hedrick, J. Thos. Leonard, Harris, J. O. Moose, Troxler, Blackwelder, A. L. Shuford, Lemons, McCombs, H. L. Moose, Barnhart. 41.

No: Trexler, Keller. 2.

Non Liquit: J. M. L. Lyerly, Shulenberger. 2.

The positions called for were referred to the Committee on Nominations.

12. The Treasurer stated that the Catawba Charge had complied with the conditions and the money was paid, and that the other charges had not met the conditions and the money was not paid.

13. The following report was received and adopted:

Your committee appointed to organize a church at Kannapolis beg leave to report that we have not performed that duty, believing that duty and honor should go to the man who goes to labor at that point. We have held service there once a month for most of the year.

Respectfully submitted,
J. H. KELLER.

The interest at Kannapolis was committed to the care of Rev. J. H. Keller and the pastors of Trinity Church, Concord, and the Gilead Charge, when said pastors are secured.

14. The following report was received and adopted:

Your Committee on Supply for the Albemarle Church beg leave to report that we supplied the church as we were able until the time of its re-enrollment by the Board of Home Missions.

JOHN A. KOONS,
W. C. LYERLY,
C. C. WAGONER.

15. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis:

Your committe appointed to confer with the Board of Trade of Winston-Salem in regard to their proposal concerning Catawba College beg leave to report that we met with the officers of the said Board in a pleasant conference, but that nothing of a material interest has come out of this movement.

Respectfully submitted,
L. A. PEELER, President,
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk,
D. E. BOWERS, Treasurer,
H. A. M. HOLSHOUSER.

An expense item of $2.00 due Rev. L. A. Peeler was referred to the Treasurer for payment.

16. The following report was received and adopted:

Your Superintendent of Teacher Training begs leave to report that last November he wrote each Sunday School Superintendent in the Classis, setting forth the advantage and necessity of training teachers in our Sunday Schools. Whenever the opportunity came the matter was presented in person. During the present year nine schools have had Teacher Training Classes and several others have members in the city training schools. Since last we met, three classes have completed the first regular Standard Course.

Respectfully submitted,
John A. Koons.

Rev. J. A. Koons was continued as Superintendent of Teacher Training.

17. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis:

Dear Brethren:—The committe to install Rev. A. Klinger pastor of the Guilford Charge beg leave to report that the duty was attended to July 17, 1916, all the members of the committee being present.

L. A. Peeler,
H. G. Kopenhaver,
A. D. Wolfinger.

18. The following report was received and adopted:

Your committee on the installation of Rev. A. H. Zechiel would report that the duty was performed July 17, 1916. Two members of the committe were present.

A. D. Wolfinger,
A. Klinger,
G. E. Plott.

19. The following report was received and adopted:

Your committee appointed on the campaign to be inaugurated by the Association of Schools, Colleges and Seminaries would report that no plans have come before us from the General Secretary. Your committe is ready to be used when plans are submitted. J. L. Murphy, Chairman.

20. The parochial report was read. The Lincoln Charge was committed to the care of Rev. J. D. Andrew.

21. The following report was received and adopted:

Your Committe on Summer Conferences would report that several meetings of the committee were held during the year. Sub-committees were appointed and the program of education carried out. All the churches with the exception of a few in central district were visited by either laymen or ministers. Central conventions were held in all but the central district. The subjects discussed dealt with Scriptural principles of giving; practical business methods of church finances; the place of lay service in the church, and the work of the Sunday Schools. Great interest was manifested by the people and various expression given for a continuation of this work. Your committee believes that this had much to do with seven out of eight charges in the western district paying the apportionment in full; in developing tithers and making the Every-member Canvass a greater success. Your committee is of the conviction that this program of education should be continued during the coming year, and would so recommend. We would recommend the appointment of one minister and layman in each of the districts as the committee to whom the work shall be referred and also the work of the Stewardship Committee, the same to be known as the Missionary and Stewardship Committee. An item of $3.50 expense is due the committee.

A. D. WOLFINGER,
J. T. HEDRICK,
J. C. PEELER,
JOHN A. KOONS,
J. E. HOLSHOUSER.

The item of expense was referred to the Treasurer for payment.

22. The parochial report was read. This interest was continued in the care of Rev. H. A. M. Holshouser.

ARTICLE XI.

OVERTURES.

The following report was received, considered by items and finally adopted as a whole:

Your Committee on Overtures would submit the following items for consideration:

1. The resignation of Rev. L. A. Peeler as pastor of the First Church, High Point, and the joint request for dissolution of the pastoral relation.

The papers are all in order, and we recommend granting the request.

2. A commission by the Board of Missions to Rev. L. A. Peeler to serve the church in Albemarle, and his request to be installed as pastor.

This should be granted.

3. Action by the Corinth Church, Hickory, regarding the disposition made by Classis of the Claremont College property.

The action here submitted should be made a part of our printed records.

4. Reports from Students O. B. Michael, John T. Fesperman, Banks J. Peeler and Felix B. Peck, students for the ministry in Catawba College, and S. A. Troxell at Lancaster, Pa., and A. C. Peeler at Central Seminary, all reporting progress in their work and expressing appreciation of the assistance given by Classis.

By adopting the item we should express our satisfaction.

5. Request from the Trinity Reformed Church, Concord, for two hundred dollars sustentation for the coming year on condition that they secure a regular pastor.

The request should be referred to the Committee on Missions.

6. A request by the Catawba Charge for sustentation for the coming year to the extent of ($200) two hundred dollars.

This should be referred to the Committee on Missions.

7. Petition from the Second Reformed Church, Lexington, for the appointment of Rev. J. C. Leonard as regular supply for the coming year.

The petition should be granted.

8. INVITATIONS.—(*a*) The First Reformed Church in High Point extends a cordial and unanimous invitation to this Classis to meet in that place next year.

(*b*) The Reformed Church in Lincolnton extends an invitation to this body to hold the sessions of the next annual meeting in their city.

Classis should consider both invitations and choose the place of meeting.

9. Faith congregation at Brookford, by a unanimous vote, asks for the continuation of Rev. J. L. Murphy as supply pastor.

Request should be granted.

10. Request of Mr. B. R. Crowder for examination and licensure to preach.

This should be referred to the Committee on Examination and Licensure.

11. Request by Rev. B. L. Stanley to be dismissed to Virginia Classis, Potomac Synod.

This should be granted.

12. Petition from the Charlotte Mission asking Classis to be excused from paying interest on the three thousand dollars given to them.

This should be referred to the Committee on Missions.

13. EXCUSES.—Revs. J. H. Shuford, John Ingle, M. L. Hedrick and B. L. Stanley respectfully ask to be excused from attending this annual meeting.

They should be excused.

Respectfully submitted,
A. H. ZECHIEL,
A. R. HOLSHOUSER,
H. A. YOST.

Under Item 2 the following were appointed a committee to install Rev. L. A. Peeler pastor of the First Church, Albemarle: Revs. J. A. Koons, W. C. Lyerly and P. Barringer.

The following is the paper called for in Item 3:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

The consistory of Corinth Reformed Church of Hickory, North Carolina, in regular monthly meeting assembled, this the 24th day of January, 1917, beg to acknowledge the receipt of the action taken by your reverend body at Salisbury,

North Carolina, on the 9th day of January, 1917, whereby you release all claims your body may have had in the property of Claremont College, located at Hickory, North Carolina, and convey the same to the Corinth congregation of the Reformed Church in the United States, according to the charter of said College amended in 1909, and the following is our action:

Resolved, That we hereby express our disappointment and regret that the Classis of North Carolina was unable to use this valuable property for the purpose and in the manner specified in the terms conveying this property to your reverend body, and be it further

Resolved, That should the Classis of North Carolina within a reasonable time find itself in position to re-establish a female school at Claremont College, then we stand ready to consider any proposition which the said Classis may make, or if any other body within the Reformed Church in the United States has a proposition to make to our congregation looking to establishing a female school here, or any other benevolent institution of the Church, we stand ready to give serious consideration to the same. Be it further

Resolved, That our pastor, the Rev. J. L. Murphy, be instructed to call a congregational meeting to be held on April 6, 1917, for the purpose of electing Trustees and taking charge of the property as provided in the charter of Claremont College amended on February 12, 1909.

J. W. Warlick,
Secretary Consistory Corinth Reformed Church.

Under Item 8 Classis proceeded to determine the time and place of the next annual meeting. Emanuel Reformed Church, Lincolnton, N. C., and May 3, A. D. 1918, at 8 o'clock p. m., were selected as the time and place of the next annual meeting.

ARTICLE XII.

DELEGATES TO POTOMAC SYNOD.

All ministers and the elder from each pastoral charge constitute the delegates to the Synod of the Potomac, which meets in general convention.

ARTICLE XIII.

MINUTES OF POTOMAC SYNOD.

The following is the report of the Committee on the Minutes of Synod. It was considered by items and finally adopted as a whole:

Your Committee on Minutes of Synod beg leave to make the following report:

1. Page 5. The following brethren were in attendance at the last meeting of Synod: Revs. J. L. Murphy, D. D., James D. Andrew, Shuford Peeler, John A. Koons and Albert H. Zechiel.

2. Page 23. Social Service.

Synod through Classes calls upon all our people to consecrate themselves anew to the doing of God's will on earth as it is in heaven, in order that justice and righteousness may be secured in all relations of life.

3. Pages 41-66. Educational Institutions.

The various educational institutions under the care of the Synod are commended to the financial and moral support of the people.

4. Pages 74-75. Home and Foreign Missions.

The home and foreign mission work of the Church in all of its various departments is commended to our people and a request made that there be larger contributions for these causes.

5. Missionary and Stewardship Committee.

Synod, through the Classes, urges the greatest possible activity of the Missionary and Stewardship Committees in order that there may be more efficient methods of church finance.

6. Pages 85-93. Publication and Sunday School Work.

Synod, though the Classes, urges the Church to prosecute a great campaign of religious education in the Sunday School. Young People's Societies are also commended to the prayerful consideration of pastors and people, as well as all the publications of the Publication and Sunday School Board.

7. Pages 100-102. Benevolent Institutions.

Phoebe Deaconess Home, The Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows, Nazareth Orphans' Home and the Hoffman Orphanage are commended to the financial and moral support of our people — especially Ministerial Relief and Nazareth Orphans' Home.

8. Page 110. Apportionment.

The following sums are referred to Classis for apportionment:

General Synod Contingent, one year	$ 75 00
Potomac Synod Contingent	141 00
Home Missions	4582 00
Foreign Missions	4582 00
Beneficiary Education	646 00
Theological Seminary	290 00
Synodical Indebtedness	81 00
Ministerial Sustentation	35 00
Total	$10,432 00

9. Page 118. Meeting of Synod.

The next annual meeting of the Potomac Synod will convene in Zion Reformed Church, Hagerstown, Md., October 22, 1917, 8 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. Rowe,
H. A. Fesperman,
Jno. D. A. Fisher.

Items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9 were severally adopted.

Item 8 was referred to the Committee on Missions.

The ministers and elders of this Classis who did not attend Synod were excused.

ARTICLE XIV.

MISSIONS.

The following report was received, considered by items and then adopted as a whole:

The Committe on Missions wish to make the following report:

The following papers have come to us:

The Annual Statement of the Foreign Mission Board.

The Annual Statement of the Home Mission Board.

A communication from Trinity Church, Concord, asking for $200 sustentation, providing a regular pastor is secured.

A communication from the Catawba Charge asking for sustentation the ensuing year to the amount of $200.

The apportionment sent down from the Potomac Synod has also been referred to your committee.

A communication from Charlotte Mission asking to be released from paying interest on $3000.

From the report of the Board of Foreign Missions we are pleased to learn of the very flourishing condition of our foreign mission work, and to note the increase of $161,266 over the contributions of the three former years, and we recommend to our congregations the hearty support of the work.

From the report of the Board of Home Missions your Committee notes the election of Rev. J. M. Mullan as Superintendent of the Department of the East, and an increase in contributions to the amount of $11,000 over the preceding year. We, however, regret to note that the Board reports a deficit of $68,700. The hearty support of the Church is asked in behalf of the Board.

We recommend that Classis assume the following sums:

(*A*) $141 for Potomac Synod contingent fund.

(*B*) $75 for General Synod.

(*C*) $2500 for home missions.

(*D*) $2000 for foreign missions.

(*E*) $100 for beneficiary education.

(*F*) $100 for Theological Seminary.

(*G*) $35 for ministerial sustentation.

(*H*) $81 for Synodical indebtedness.

(*I*) We recommend that $200 be given the Catawba Charge, providing apportionment be paid in full.

(*J*) We recommend that $200 be given Trinity Church, Concord, providing they secure a regular pastor and pay apportionment in full.

(*K*) We recommend that in view of the fact that Classis has already pledged $3000 to the Charlotte Mission, and in view of the fact that the pastor is given the privilege to canvass all congregations, the request to be released from paying the interest be not granted.

J. L. MURPHY,
G. E. PLOTT,
M. R. HARRIS.

ARTICLE XV.
NOMINATIONS.

The following is the report of the Committee on Nominations, which was adopted, all the nominees being elected:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Nominations beg leave to place the following in nomination:

1. *Board of Trustees of Catawba College*—Revs. J. L. Murphy, D. D., Dr. C. B. McNairy, George Moose, Rev. Shuford Peeler, J. O. Moose, A. L. Shuford.

2. *Board of Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home*—Rev. W. H. McNairy, Rev. A. D. Wolfinger, D. D., George H. Moose.

3. *Mrs. Rebecca Solliday Church-building Fund*—Rev. J. M. L. Lyerly, Ph. D.

4. *The Editorial Staff of the Standard*—Editor-in-chief: Rev. J. L. Murphy, D. D. District Editors: Revs. H. A. Fesperman, W. C. Lyerly, G. E. Plott. Institutional Editors: 1. President of Catawba College; 2. Superintendent of Nazareth Orphans' Home. Business Manager: Rev. W. H. McNairy.

5 *Treasurer of Classis*—Rev. D. E. Bowers.

Respectfully submitted,
J. W. BELL,
A. KLINGER.

ARTICLE XVI.
STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Dear Fathers and Brethren:—The parochial reports placed in our hands reveal the joys and sorrows, the triumphs and

failures, the unceasing labors and trials that have been experienced by the brethren of this Classis during the year.

These reports are an humble expression of the untiring efforts of the ordained servants of God. The brethren have preached the gospel fearlessly as the Holy Spirit has given them power and as it has been revealed to them in the Word of God. They have gone into the homes of their people and have shared their joys and sorrows in such a way that peace, harmony and love seem to reign in the hearts of the people.

The statistical reports are a most interesting compilation of the facts and figures that relate to the work of the kingdom. We note a net increase of 92 communicant members. These figures should make us think. With a membership so large as ours, there should have been a larger increase in Israel. The whole Church needs to be aroused to a larger interest in the work of soul saving. Two hundred and forty more souls partook of the Holy Communion this year than last. There were 520 additions to the church membership through all sources. While continual changes in residence necessitate dismissals, yet if the entire Church could be lifted to an intimate relation with the Father, there need be no erasures. We would then be able to grow in numbers much more rapidly. The angel of death has visited our homes, and 55 of our communicant members have been called from the scenes of earth. Some of these have been the leaders in the work of the Church.

We wish to make special mention of the decease of Elder D. H. Hinkle, First Church, Lexington; Elder P. A. Peeler, Shiloh, Faith; and Elder S. L. Rhyne, of Grace, Newton. These men were not only leaders in their several churches, but in the entire Church, and they will be greatly missed. Truly their influence still lives and their works do follow them.

We rejoice in the increased contributions to the work of the kingdom. An increase of $6832 has been contributed for congregational purposes during the year. This indicates a healthful condition in Zion. Several of the brethren report an increase in salary. We wish to commend the charges which have thus shown their appreciation of the work of their ministers. We urge other charges to follow their example. Some churches are still doing very small things for their ministers. The laity should not continue to sap the life blood of the minister by compelling him to labor on a mere pittance. Pay him the largest possible salary, and he will be enabled to render a larger service in return.

We rejoice in the splendid increase of $4004 to the benevolent work of the Church. This is an expression of the fact that the Church is rising to that world-view of the kingdom that the Master had and that He expressed in the Great Commission. But we note with sorrow the small things that some of our churches are still doing for benevolence. We wonder if this is all the people's fault. "Where there is no vision the people perish." The chief source of vision is the minister. The blind cannot lead the blind. Brethren of the ministry, we wish to impress upon you a deeper sense of your responsibility to God to lead your people into the larger activities of the work of the Church. We are guilty of the sin of omission until we have done our level best to lead them. Our people have time for everything else; they have time for the work of the Church, if they can be influenced to do it. They have money for the necessities and luxuries of life; they have money in larger quantities for the work of the Church if they can be led to give it. We must impress upon our people that giving is just as essential to salvation as prayer and Bible study. Brethren, we must preach tithing. It is the duty of the ministry to lead all the people into this larger activity, both by exhortation and example. "Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings." May the truth of this Scripture burn into our hearts.

We are living in perhaps the most trying times in the history of the Church. The clouds of destruction and sorrow are hovering closely about us, and we do not know what distress even a few months may bring upon us. A bleeding world is lying at the foot of the Church. Will the Church bind up their wounded bodies and heal their broken hearts? The Church's future usefulness will either be enlarged or lessened by the degree in which she measures up to her opportunity during these perilous days. May we humbly call the ministry and elders and, through you, the entire Church to a life of greater consecration to the work of our Lord and Master.

We are glad for the enlargement of the kingdom in the extension of her borders. We note with pleasure the progress in the construction of the church at Winston-Salem, the beginning of the First Church, Charlotte, in the re-enrollment of Albemarle and in the reports that have come from various sections of the Classis of the promising outlook for the or-

ganization of new congregations. We urge the brethren to be as active as possible, looking toward the organization of congregations wherever possible, and in urging the Board of Home Missions to enroll new points as rapidly as the men and the means will allow. May we go forward in the work until our beloved Zion extends throughout the length and breadth of this great state.

Respectfully submitted,

L. A. PEELER,
J. A. PALMER,
W. M. MCCOMBS.

The statistics will be found in the appendix.

ARTICLE XVII.

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING.

Emanuel Reformed Church, Lincolnton, N. C., was selected as the place of the next annual meeting of the Classis of North Carolina and Friday evening, May 3, A. D. 1918, at 8 o'clock, as the time.

ARTICLE XVIII.

EDUCATION.

Report of the Trustees of Catawba College,

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

The Board held its annual meeting May 23, 1916, with a quorum present, and organized by electing Dr. H. E. Rowe Chairman. The past year's work was carefully reviewed.

The degree of A. B. was given to Messrs. F. L. Fesperman, George A. Ingle, Lee Moose, A. C. Peeler, Eliott R. Stewart, S. A. Troxell, George C. Warlick and Sterling Whitener, and the degree of B. S. was given Miss Mabel Bacon and Mr. Paul Foil.

A diploma was given Miss Mae Morrison for completing the full course in the Business Department and also a diploma was given Miss Annie Killian in the Voice Department. The degree of A. M. was conferred upon Revs. J. D. Andrew and W. W. Rowe.

The faculty for the year 1916-1917 is as follows: President, Rev. J. D. Andrew, A. M.; Department of English and French, Rev. W. W. Rowe, A. M.; Greek, German and History, George C. Warlick, A. B.; Mathematics and Science, H. B. Overcash, B. S.; Latin and Preparatory Mathematics, A. P. Whisenhunt, A. M.; Preparatory, A. C. Sherrill, B. S; Business, Miss Flossie Frazier; Art, Miss Mary Barringer; Music, Miss Pauline Holstein and Miss Myrtle Gross; Expression, Miss Mazy Schmidt.

The present year opened September, 1916, with an enrollment of pupils which has increased to 155—67 boys and 88 girls. Of this number 75 are members of the Reformed Church, 86 being boarding students.

At the annual meeting of the Trustees it was decided to go into the Association of Schools, Colleges and Seminaries in the great movement to raise $1,000,000 for the larger endowment and better equipment of these institutions. By this means it is hoped that Catawba College may be made more efficient and useful. The Treasurer's report follows:

RECEIPTS.

To cash in Banks at last report, May 25, 1915	$ 3 75	
To cash received from Interest	1,508 57	
To cash received from Interest, Potomac Synod	347 00	
To cash received from Rents and Sale of Coal	90 32	
To cash received from Book Account	344 91	
To cash received from Donations	555 25	
To cash received from Tuition	9,139 05	
To cash received from North Carolina Classis	303 86	
To cash received from Entrance Fees	301 25	
To cash received from all other sources	286 15	
		$12,881 11

DISBURSEMENTS.

Freight, Express and Drayage	$ 43 32	
Insurance	160 88	
Interest	803 16	
Light and Water	292 67	
Rents	36 82	
Fuel	861 95	
Labor	330 48	
Postage and Printing	291 58	
Advertising	52 86	
Provision Account	3,137 72	
Book and Magazine Account	609 69	
Teachers and Matron for year 1914-15	1,558 00	
Teachers and Matron for year 1915-16	3,965 39	
Equipment and Repairs	409 97	
General Account, including all other items not in above	296 09	
Cash in Banks, May 22, 1916	30 53	
		$12,881 11

The Endowment Funds are as follows:

The J. G. Soliday Fund	$20,000 00	
The Alumni Fund	10,150 00	
General Endowment Fund	12,988 85	
Not yet out	400 00	
The Emanuel Pontius Building Fund	566 50	
		$44,105 35

Received from Potomac Synod since last report on Principal of Endowment Fund $ 2,150 00

And on account of Interest 347 00

In account with the J. G. Solliday Fund:

To Interest received since last report	$1,012 65	
By amount due the Treasurer at last report	21 75	
By amount paid to Ministerial Students	987 00	
Cash in Bank	3 90	
		$ 1,012 65

Have on hand of the Rebecca Soliday Church Building Fund $201.62.

INDEBTEDNESS OF CATAWBA COLLEGE, MAY 20, 1916.

Total Outstanding Notes	$15,587 04
Estimated Indebtedness for the current year	2,000 00

I beg to submit this supplementary report:

RECEIPTS SINCE MY REPORT TO THE BOARD.

Cash on hand at Last Report	$30 53	
To Cash Received from Interest	1288 94	
To Cash Received from Tuition and Board	8773 97	
To Cash Received from all other Sources	1859 61	
Total		$11953 05

DISBURSEMENTS.

By Cash Paid as Interest	$479 74	
By Cash Paid Teachers 1915-16	1902 27	
By Cash Paid Teachers 1616-17	3421 73	
By Cash Paid all other Items	6056 04	
To Cash on hand May 1, 1917	93 27	
Total		$11953 05

INDEBTEDNESS OF THE COLLEGE.

Notes	$16172 04	
Fuel Bill	150 00	
Hardware Bills	158 00	
Grocery Bills	2328 33	
	$18809 06	
To this amount add Due Teachers	2184 00	
Book Bill about	100 00	
	$21093 06	

The above is correct as far as I can get at present.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. LEONARD, Treasurer.

J. D. ANDREW, President.

The Committee on Education presented the following report, which was adopted:

Your Committee on Education would report that from the report of the Trustees and the report of the Treasurer of Catawba College we learn that the year closes with an enrollment of 155 students. Twelve of these were graduated in the several courses. The faculty consists of eleven instructors. The total indebtedness of the College is $21,093.06. Twenty-five hundred are due to cover in part this amount. Because of the close relation of this institution to the progress of the Church in this state and because of the need of greater support we would recommend this institution to the young people who are selecting a place of study and training. We would ask the hearty support of all our people of such efforts directed to increase her financial strength. As a means to further emphasize these needs and opportunity of Catawba College, we recommend the first Sunday in September as Catawba College Day, when all ministers, so far as possible, shall devote one service to the work of the College.

A. D. WOLFINGER,
H. A. WELKER,
W. C. LEMON.

ARTICLE XIX.

FINANCE.

The Committee on Finance presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Finance respectfully submit the following report: We have examined the report of the treasurer and find it correct. We recommend its adoption.

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Treasurer begs leave to submit the following report of funds received and disbursed:

RECEIPTS.

SPECIAL OBJECTS.

Armenian Relief—
Trinity, Conover.....$ 32 50
Children's Endowment Fund—
First Reformed S. S., Lexington.....$ 60 00

Foreign Missions—Special—		
First, Waughtown	$ 2 65	
Emanuel, Lincolnton	5 00	
Trinity, Conover	66 84	
Total		$ 74 49
Home Missions—Special	$ 11 04	
First, Waughtown	$ 11 04	
Faith, Salisbury	6 20	
Total		$ 17 24
Ministerial Relief—		
Balance in Treasury	$ 50	
Emanuel, Lincolnton	5 00	
Total		$ 5 50
Nazareth Orphans' Home—		
First S. S., Lexington	$167 96	
Emanuel, Lincolnton	23 71	
Second S. S., Lexington	20 83	
Hebron, Waughtown Charge	39 00	
Bethlehem, Waughtown Charge	11 19	
First, Waughtown Charge	15 00	
Grace S. S., Newton	37 77	
St. Matthew's, Lincoln Charge	2 00	
Zion, Emanuel Charge	5 46	
Mr. J. T. Hedrick, support of orphan	50 00	
Total		$ 372 92
Sunday School—Special—		
Mt. Zion, West Rowan	$ 9 16	

RECEIVED ON APPORTIONMENTS

	Contingent	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Potomac Synod Contingent	General Synod Contingent	Catawba College	Theological Seminary	Total
Balance in Treasury	$604 94	$90 70	$137 00	$73 00	$50 00	$20 70	20 30	$996 64
Hickory	125 00	190 00	155 00	6 00	5 00	36 00	6 00	523 00
Guilford	70 00							70 00
Faith	80 00	129 00	88 00	5 00	3 00	27 00	5 00	337 00
West Rowan	105 00	177 00	127 00	6 00	5 00	30 00	6 00	456 00
Bear Creek	90 00	135 00	169 00	6 00	4 00	30 00	5 00	439 00
South Fork	65 00	110 59	85 00	5 00	3 00	20 00	4 00	292 59
Lincoln	55 00	18 00	14 00	4 00	3 00	18 00		112 00
Newton	65 00	106 00	85 00	5 00	4 00	36 00	4 00	305 00
Gilead	21 00							21 00
Salisbury	25 00	25 00	25 00	3 00	1 00	5 00	2 00	86 00
First, Lexington	135 00	155 38	75 00	7 00	5 00	37 00		414 38
Second, Lexington	15 00	15 00	10 00	1 00	1 00	5 00		47 00
Lower Davidson	80 00			5 00	3 00			88 00
Upper Davidson	115 00	96 00	80 50	8 00	5 00	19 00	3 25	326 75
First, High Point	30 00	50 00	10 00	2 00	1 00	7 00		100 00
Bethel, High Point	15 00	25 00	14 52	1 00	1 00	5 00		61 52
Thomasville	35 00	26 00	18 80	2 00	2 00	5 20	1 00	90 00
Emanuel	65 60			3 60	2 00			71 20
Concord	35 00	60 00	42 00	2 00	2 00	10 00	2 00	153 00
Greensboro	45 00	37 00		2 00	2 00	12 00	2 00	100 00
Burlington								
Lenoir	18 00	32 00	28 00	2 00	1 00	7 00	2 00	90 00
Brookford	12 00	25 00	15 00	1 00	1 00	4 00	1 00	59 00
Catawba	45 00	61 00	45 00	2 00	2 00	12 00	2 00	169 00
Waughtown	50 00	27 29	13 82	3 00	2 00	3 40	1 00	100 51
Rockwell	60 00	55 00	35 00	4 00	3 00	15 00		172 00
Albemarle								
Lincolnton	14 00	22 00	18 00	1 00	1 00	3 00	1 00	60 00
Mt. Bethel								
Winston-Salem								
Charlotte	2 00	6 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	2 00	1 00	18 00
Interest	92 49							92 49
Arrearages								
Bear Creek		72 58	27 73	6 00	4 00	15 00	5 00	130 31
Bethel, High Point	4 00	4 68		1 00	1 00			10 68
Second, Lexington	11 00	4 00	3 00	1 00	1 00			20 00
Gilead	29 15							29 15
Lower Davidson				2 70				2 70
Total	2214 18	1755 22	1326 37	171 30	119 00	384 30	73 55	6043 92

DISBURSEMENTS.

Contingent—			
Dr. Murphy, expense of St. Peter's Church property	$	45 32	
Stated Clerk's salary and expenses		59 76	
Treasurer's salary and expenses		30 13	
Waughtown Church, for use of church		5 00	
Minutes of Classis		116 61	
Interest on notes of Classis		94 14	
Rev. J. C. Peeler, sustentation		200 00	
Rev. A. S. Peeler, Com. on Missionary Com.		1 60	
Rev. A. S. Peeler, Stewardship Com		7 00	
Elder M. G. Lentz, expense to General Synod		15 00	
Express, etc., on Minutes of Synod		8 66	
Notes of Classis		650 00	
Total			$1233 22
Home Missions—			
J. S. Wise, Treasurer	$1555 00		
Home Missions—Special—			
Rev. Shuford Peeler, for Charlotte		5 52	
Dr. Hoishouser, for Winston-Salem		5 52	
J. S. Wise, Treasurer		6 20	
Total			$ 17 24
Foreign Missions—			
Rev. Dr. A. R. Bartholomew, Secretary	$1240 12		
Foreign Missions—Special			
Rev. Dr. A. R. Bartholomew, Secretary		7 65	
Potomac Synod Contingent—			
C. M. Wolff, Treasurer	$106 00		
General Synod Contingent—			
C. M. Wolff, Treasurer	$ 77 00		
Catawba College—			
J. B. Leonard, Treasurer	$317 64		
Theological Seminary—			
C. M. Wolff, Treasurer	$ 25 30		
Armenian Relief—			
Chas. R. Crane, Treasurer	$32 50		
Children's Endowment Fund—			
The Publication and S. S. Board	$ 60 00		
Ministerial Relief—			
Rev. Dr. J. W. Meminger, Treasurer		5 50	
Nazareth Orphans' Home—			
Geo. H. Moose, Treasurer	$372 92		
Sunday School—Special			
C. O. Althouse, Treasurer		9 16	

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

	Received	Paid out	Bal. in Treasury
Contingent	$2214 18	$1233 22	$980 96
Home Missions	1755 22	1555 00	200 22
Home Missions—Special	17 24	17 24	
Foreign Missions	1326 37	1240 12	86 25
Foreign Missions—Special—	74 49	7 65	66 84
Potomac Synod Contingent	171 30	106 00	65 30
General Synod Contingent	119 00	77 00	42 00
Catawba College	384 30	317 64	66 66
Theological Seminary	73 55	25 30	48 25
Armenian Relief	32 50	32 50	
Children's Endowment Fund	60 00	60 00	
Ministerial Relief	5 50	5 50	
Nazareth Orphans' Home	372 92	372 92	
Sunday School—Special	9 16	9 16	

INDEBTEDNESS OF CLASSIS.

First, High Point	$ 24 74
Winston-Salem	1850 00
Total	$1874 74

ARREARAGES.

Contingent Fund—
Gilead, $19; Emanuel, $14.40; Burlington, $80; Albemarle, $2; Mt. Bethel, $1; Winston-Salem, $3.

Potomac Synod Contingent—
Guilford, $5; Gilead, $3; Emanuel, $1.40; Burlington, $5; Albemarle, $1; Mt. Bethel, $1; Winston-Salem, $1.

General Synod Contingent—
Guilford, $3; Gilead, $2; Emanuel, $2; Burlington, $4; Albemarle, $1; Mt. Bethel, $1; Winston-Salem, $1.

ARREARAGES, 1915-16.

Contingent Fund—
Guilford, $15; Gilead, $5.85; Lower Davidson, $27.40; Emanuel, $38.42; Burlington, $61.20; Brookford, $12; Albemarle, $4; Mt. Bethel, $2.

ARREARAGES, 1914-15.

Contingent Fund—
Salisbury, $12; Gilead, $18.87; Guilford, $1.29.

ARREARAGES, 1913-14.

Contingent Fund—
Gilead, $13; Salisbury, $10.

ARREARAGES, 1915-16

Potomac Synod Contingent—
Gilead, $3; Lower Davidson, $5; Thomasville, $2; Emanuel, $6; Brookford, $1; Albemarle, $1; Mt. Bethel, $1.

General Synod Contingent—
Gilead, $2; Lower Davidson, $3; Thomasville, $2; Emanuel, $4; Burlington, $4; Brookford, $1; Albemarle, $1; Mt. Bethel, $1.

Respectfully submitted,

D. E. BOWERS, Treasurer.

We recommend the following apportionment of the several sums referred to us :

APPORTIONMENT

	Contingent	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Potomac Synod Contingent	General Synod Contingent	Catawba College	Theological Seminary	Beneficiary Education
Hickory	$135	$190	$155	$8	$5	$36	$6	$6
Guilford	70	115	95	5	3	20	5	5
Faith	90	129	88	7	3	27	5	5
West Rowan	115	177	135	9	5	30	6	6
Bear Creek	100	141	177	7	4	30	5	5
South Fork	79	110	85	6	3	20	4	4
Lincoln	70	85	70	5	3	18	3	3
Newton	60	100	85	6	3	36	4	4
Gilead	45	65	50	4	2	14	3	3
Salisbury	30	25	25	4	1	5	2	2
First, Lexington	150	200	145	9	5	37	7	7
Second, Lexington	20	33	21	2	1	5	1	1
Lower Davidson	90	100	90	6	3	23	5	5
Upper Davidson	125	196	168	10	5	35	8	8
First, High Point	37	55	40	3	1	10	2	2
Bethel, High Point	20	25	18	2	1	5	1	1
Thomasville	31	63	38	2	2	10	2	2
Emanuel	80	123	90	6	4	25	6	6
Concord	45	60	42	4	2	10	2	2
Greensboro	38	65	48	3	2	12	2	2
Burlington	82	130	90	7	4	25	6	6
Lenoir	20	32	20	3	1	7	2	2
Brookford	12	25	15	2	1	4	1	1
Catawba	50	61	45	3	2	12	2	2
Waughtown	52	65	55	4	2	15	3	3
Rockwell	65	105	78	5	3	20	4	4
Albemarle	2	6	3	2	1	2	1	1
Lincolnton	15	24	20	2	1	3	1	1
Winston-Salem	5	5	4	2	1	2	1	1
Charlotte	7	8	7	3	1	2	1	1
	1740	2500	2000	141	75	500	100	100

Respectfully submitted,

D. E. BOWERS,
W. H. MCNAIRY,
W. G. HINKLE.

ARTICLE XX.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Permanent Committee on Sunday Schools presented their report, which was received and adopted. It will be found under that item in the report on the Minutes of Classis. The statistics will be found in the Appendix.

ARTICLE XXI.

BENEVOLENT INSTITUTIONS.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF NAZARETH ORPHANS' HOME

The Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home beg leave to submit the following report:

At present there are forty-one children in the Home—seventeen girls and twenty-four boys. Six girls and one boy were dismissed during the year.

The health of the children has, in the main, been good, though several accidents and an epidemic of measles have occurred.

Only six and a half months of school has been given, due, according to the Superintendent's report, to the school room not being ready for occupancy. The grant of $96.75 from the county for school purposes was received and much appreciated.

The moral and religious side of the Home has been cared for. The children are catechised, required to memorize Scripture, attend Sunday School and Church services regularly, and they also conduct a Christian Endeavor service in the Home each Sunday. During the year three girls and six boys were received into the Church by the rite of confirmation.

When not attending school, the children are engaged in working about the house, in it, or on the farm. Recreation periods are also given from time to time.

The tenth anniversary was held on the 3rd of August last, and proved to be very successful. The attendance was large and the interest manifested great. The one event of that occasion was the dedication of the Boys' Dormitory and Chapel. The large auditorium was filled to its utmost capacity, and all listened with rapt attention to the splendid address of Hon. T. F. Kluttz.

The Singing Class had a successful year, and created much interest wherever it appeared, adding materially to the finances of the Home.

The farm has not been as profitable as was hoped, due largely to the drouth, but some improvements have been made.

The finances have been in good condition, though larger receipts could have been used to a decided advantage. During the year about $5,600 were received, and about $5,000 were paid out, exclusive of the building operations. The present financial status of the Home is: Indebtedness—notes, $650; water and sewerage system $1,380, a total of $2,030. Cash in treasury, $550, and an endowment, the Hinkle bequest of $500.

In view of the greatly increased cost of living it becomes necessary to have increased contributions, which, we believe, may result from a more concerted action and systematic efforts on the part of our Sunday Schools and churches. We believe that if each Sunday school and church will make a quarterly offering, sufficient funds will be realized for current expenses as they come. It is the sense of the Board that the Superintendent should visit each charge and congregation during the year, if at all possible, and work to the above end; that he should arrange such an itinerancy with the pastors and congregations, presenting the claims of the Home to Sunday Schools and churches, and challenging persons of means to larger giving.

Thanksgiving and Christmas offerings are urged upon all our people. Articles for the "Standard" and the other Church papers should be furnished from the Home, and everything done that would contribute to the greater usefulness of the institution.

The Managers are happy to announce that Mr. Jesse Hedrick and wife have been secured as farmer and assistant matron to the Home, and in this way it is hoped that the Superintendent and matron can give more attention to the intensive and extensive workings of the Home.

The Managers hereby wish to express their appreciation to Rev. and Mrs. Bell, who for six years have been Superintendent and matron, and who have done much to popularize the Home, and wish for them and their family the blessings of the Infinite One in their far-away western home.

For the Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Werner, who will take charge as Superintendent and matron on June 1st, we bespeak the hearty reception and encouragement they must have if they are to succeed in their arduous task.

The attention of Classis is called to the fact that the terms of office as Managers of the Home of Revs. W. H. McNairy, Shuford Peeler and Treasurer George H. Moose will expire at this meeting, and it becomes your duty to elect their successors.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. L. LYERLY, President.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF NAZARETH ORPHANS' HOME.
MAY 1, 1917.

Balance on hand	$ 348 74
Receipts during the year	5581 54
Total receipts	$5930 28

Disbursements—

Salary and wages	$1106 17
Groceries	244 59
Flour and feed	926 17
Oil and gasoline	75 25
Merchandise	225 61
Hardware	238 95
Medical services	59 80
Veterinary services	21 00
Printing	43 54
Shoes	72 05
Seed	57 97
Interest	41 00
School Supplies	24 54
Horses	375 00
New building	425 00
Paid out by superintendent	512 87
Other current expenses	425 11
Hinkle bequest loaned on real estate	500 00
Total disbursements	$5374 62
Balance on hand	$555 66

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. H. MOOSE, Treasurer.
Gold Hill, N. C.

REPORT OF NEW BUILDING FUND.

(The first statement is that made at Waughtown in 1816, same having been omitted last year.—**Stated Clerk.**)

Receipts—

Interest collected	$ 57 82
Dr. C. B. McNairy	25 00
Rev. C. C. Wagoner	10 00
Sale of lumber	40 28
Rev. Shuford Peeler (canvass)	37 10
George H. Moose	150 00
Borrowed	1300 00
Mrs. A. B. Achenbach	10 00
Miss Fountain	5 00
George C. Fisher	25 00
E. D. Shriner	10 00
Miss Alice Derr	10 00
Pavia Missionary Society	5 00
Rev. J. C. Leonard (canvass)	9 00
Rev. Bowers (canvass)	7 00
Rev. J. A. Palmer (canvass)	10 00

Rev. Lyerly (canvass)	85 50
Faith Reformed Church	12 50
William Roe	3 75
Mrs. A. T. Mowery	3 46
Sale lathes	53 00
St. Paul's S. S.	10 00
J. H. Holshouser	200 00
Mrs. Bell (canvass)	50 00
Rev. J. A. Koons (canvass)	50 75
First Reformed Church, Lexington	77 34
	$2257 50

Disbursements—

Amount due Treasurer	$ 50 94
J. L. Klutz	524 63
Interest	62 68
Plastering	180 12
Lathes	122 50
Freight on lumber	57 25
Sand	36 00
Lumber	227 33
Lime and plaster	116 33
Nails	6 00
Lathing	42 28
Lexington Hardware Co	85 04
Windows and doors	494 73
Framing pickler	78 88
Sundries	6 80
Total	$2091 51
Cash on hand	165 99
	$2257 50

STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDING MAY 1, 1917.

Receipts—

Cash on hand	$ 165 99
G. Harvey Geitner	100 00
Reformed Church, Newton	23 19
Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Bell (canvass)	732 63
George H. Moose, Treasurer	50 00
St. Paul's Church	18 57
Grace Church	5 00
Rev. W. W. Rowe	5 00
Rev. W. C. Lyerly (canvass)	28 00
1. Ladies' Aid Society, Greensboro, N. C.	25 00
2. Mrs. J. W. Summers, Whitsett, N. C.	25 00
3. Mrs. Mary E. Lattire, in memory of son	25 00
4. Ladies' Aid Society, Pilgrim Church, N. C.	25 00
5. St. James' S. S., Mt. Pleasant, N. C.	25 00
6. Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Blackwelder, Lenoir, N. C.	25 00
7. L. A. and M. Society, Zion Church, Lenoir, N. C.	25 00
8. L. M. Soc., First Church, Lexington, N. C.	25 00
9. L. A. Soc., Grace Church, Newton, N. C.	25 00

10. Mr. and Mrs. David L. Correll, China Grove,	25 00
11. Mr. Wm. E. Deal, China Grove, N. C.	25 00
Corinth Reformed Church, Hickory	100 00
Pilgrim	67 95
Beulah	19 96
South Fork Charge	6 50
V. Wallace & Son	10 00
A. L. Shuford	5 00
Rev. J. A. Palmer	25 00
Faith Reformed Church, Baltimore	22 50
Kred C. Sink	5 00
Rev. J. A. Koons (canvass)	20 00
B. A. Fesperman, for room	25 00
Children of Boger cong., for room	25 00
Y. M. B. C., St. Paul's S. S., Roanoke, Va.	25 00
Woman's M. S., Bear Creek	25 00
Rev. J. A. Palmer (canvass)	2 00
H. J. Conrad	10 00
	$1797 29

Disbursements—

Paid on new building	$1595 66
Paid to George H. Moose, Treasurer	150 00
Cash on hand	51 63
	$1797 29

J. T. HEDRICK, Treasurer.

The Committee on Benevolent Institutions presented the following report, which was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Benevolent Institutions beg leave to make the following report:

Reports from two institutions came to hand for consideration, viz: The Board of Ministerial Belief, and the Nazareth Orphans' Home.

The Board of Ministerial Relief for our aged ministers and their widows has done a grand work and should appeal to us. We urge Classis to bring this matter before the people of North Carolina Classis so that annual contributions may be given to this worthy cause.

The annual report of the Nazareth Orphans' Home is very encouraging and presents bright hopes for the future.

We believe that this blessed cause has a just right to claim the attention and support of all the members of North Carolina Classis; the Committee beg leave to present the following recommendations:

1. That the Sunday Schools be urged to have a monthly offering for the Home.

2. That the Superintendent of the Home visit the various charges of the Classis for the purpose of presenting the needs of the Home to the people, and we urge the pastors and congregations to grant this opportunity to the Superintendent.

3. That pastors urge their people to attend the anniversary to be held on August 2 and, if possible, to encourage and help the cause by having special trains from the Eastern and Western sections of Classis.

Respectfully submitted,

H. G. KOPENHAVER,
J. C. PEELER,
A. D. HAREN.

ARTICLE XXII.

EXAMINATION AND LICENSURE.

The Committee on Examination and Licensure presented the following report, which was received and adopted:

Your Committee on Examination and Licensure beg to report that Mr. B. R. Crowder applied for examination, but later withdrew his application. We recommend that he be given special work under some competent minister and that a committee be appointed to prescribe a course of study for him.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. ANDREW,
J. L. MURPHY,
J. O. MOOSE.

Rev. D. E. Bowers was appointed in harmony with the recommendation of the above report.

ARTICLE XXIII.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

The following report was received and adopted:

Dear Brethren:—Your Committee on Young People's Work submit the following:

Twenty-six societies are reported—an increase of five over last year. 801 active and 52 associate members are reported—an increase of 65 active and a decrease of 4 associate members.

We note with satisfaction the growing number of societies, the number now being practically equal to one-half the number of congregations in Classis. Your Committee believe that

wherever there are a number of young people there can be a society.

These societies exist not for selfish reasons, as is evidenced by their contributions to various benevolences totaling $425.80 —an increase of $117.55. Being thus spiritually and financially interested, our young people are being developed and good workers are being trained for larger service in the vineyard of the Lord.

We recommend the appointment of a Superintendent of Young People's Society Work, and urge the people to call on him for any assistance needed.

Respectfully submitted,

A. S. PEELER.
G. A. WATTS,
JOHN A. KOONS.

The statistics will be found in the appendix

ARTICLE XXIV.

MISCELLANEOUS.

At the first session of Classis addresses of welcome were delivered by Rev. C. C. Wagoner, pastor loci, and Mr. George C. Fisher, an officer of the church. These addresses were appropriately responded to by Rev. D. C. Cox, the President of Classis.

The following resolutions on National Prohibition were adopted:

Resolved, That the Classis of North Carolina, Reformed Church in the United States, assembled in annual sessions in Faith Reformed Church, Salisbury, North Carolina, May, 1917, representing 8,000 confirmed and unconfirmed members in 58 congregations, hereby places itself on record as being in favor of national prohibition of the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors. We are the more strongly impressed with the necessity of this course because of the exigencies growing out of the world-war and the alarming food shortage which faces the nations of the earth. We feel that wisdom would urge the American nation to conserve for food purposes the more than 600,000,000 bushels of grain now used in the manufacture of strong drink.

Resolved, That we also favor prohibition of the liquor traffic as a war measure, knowing that our soldiers and sailors will be better able to serve the country without the use of intoxicating drinks.

Resolved, That the officers of Classis send copies of this action to the President of the United States, to the presiding officers of the Senate and House, to the two North Carolina Senators and to the State's members of the House of Representatives.

The following sums were referred to the Committee on Finance for apportionment:

Salary and Expenses of Treasurer	$ 29 25
Salary and Expenses of Stated Clerk	63 27
Printing Minutes of Classis	175 00
Catawba College	500 00
Church Building	700 00
Contingent Fund	250 00

The Committee on Finance was instructed to incorporate the item of Ministerial Sustentation with the Contingent Fund.

At his request Rev. J. W. Bell was given permission to engage in secular work the coming year.

The Committee on Press presented the following report, which was received and adopted:

The Press Committee beg leave to report that it has supplied the local paper, the "Daily Post," and through the local representative, the "Charlotte Observer" and "Greensboro Daily News," with the proceedings of Classis.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. L. LYERLY,
C. C. WAGONER.
JOHN F. TROXLER.

In connection with the consideration of the report on Benevolent Institutions a rising vote of thanks was extended to Rev. J. W. Bell, retiring Superintendent of Nazareth Orphans' Home, and Mrs. Bell, the matron.

Classis ordered that half the expenses of delegates to General Synod this year be paid.

The following resolution of instruction was adopted:

Resolved, That for the ensuing year each minister of Classis be and is hereby instructed to forward by mail his Ministerial and Parochial report to the President, so as to reach him at least five days before the date of our next annual meeting for the preparation of the report on Religion and Statistics.

Further, That the reports shall be brief and concise, and read on the floor of Classis in open session with a time limit of three minutes for the reading of each report.

The Stated Clerk was appointed to act as Informant to the Board of Ministerial Relief.

The Gilead Charge was committed to the care of Revs. Shuford Peeler, W. C. Lyerly and H. A. Welker.

ARTICLE XXV.

RESUMPTION AND CLOSE.

The Committee on Leave of Absence presented the following report, which was adopted:

Your Committee on Leave of Absence beg leave to report that we have excused the following: Revs. A. Klinger, P. M. Trexler, H. A. M. Holshouser, A. R. Holshouser, J. W. Bell; Elders J. R. Jones, E. A. Sink, E. D. Fox, A. D. Haren, J. Thos. Leonard. Respectfully submitted,

J. H. KELLER,
A. SHULENBERGER.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That the Classis of North Carolina, assembled in annual sessions in Faith Reformed Church, Salisbury, N. C., desires to express sincere thanks to the pastor, members and citizens of the community for the most cordial welcome and very generous hospitality extended to us during our stay here, and that we request the pastor to read this resolution from the pulpit.

Resolved, That Classis present to this congregation the sum of five dollars for the use of their church during the meeting of Classis.

At the last session, all business having been transacted, the roll was called and all persons not excused answered to their names. The Minutes of the day's session were read and approved.

ARTICLE XXVI.

ADJOURNMENT.

The Classis adjourned finally Friday evening, May 11, at 5 o'clock, to meet in annual session in Emanuel Reformed Church, Lincolnton, N. C., Friday, May 3, A. D. 1918, at 8 o'clock p. m.

DOUGAN C. COX, *President.*

J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

Attest: Official copy from the original Minutes.

J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

STATISTICAL REPORT OF YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

Congregation	Name of Society	Name and Address of Secretary	Members		Contributions			
			Active	Associate	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Other Benevolence	Congregat'l Purposes
St. James, Bear Creek Chg	Mission Band	Allen Watts, Concord, N. C., R. 4	42		$	$	$	$1 15
Bethel, Bear Creek Charge	Y. P. S. C. E.	Anna Hartman, Mt. Pleasant, N. C.	38					10 00
Boger, Bear Creek Charge	Mission Band	Georgia Barringer, Mt Pleasanr, N. C	20		3 00	3 00		
Trinity, Catawba Charge	Y. P. S. C. E.	Thelma Kline, Conover, N. C.	31	7			10 00	
Trinity, Catawba Charge	Jr. Y. P. S. C. E.	Earl Hawn, Conover, N. C.	39					
Grace, Newton	Y. P. S. C. E.	Carrie Thorton, Newton, N. C.	65	2			15 00	20 00
Grace, Newton	Mission Band	Linda Trott, Newton, N. C.	54					25 00
Zion, Lenoir	Y. Y. S. C. E.	Dwight Blackwelder, Lenoir, N. C.	9					
Bethel, High Point	Y. P. S. C. E.	Lila Williams, High Point, N. C.	40					1 10
Bethel, High Point	Jr. Y. P. S. C. E.	Lilian Kopenhaver, High Point, N. C.	20					
First, Lexington	Y P. S. C. E.	Minnie Parks, Lexington, N. C.	36		7 00	3 00	11 00	3 00
First, Lexington	Jr. Y. P. S. C. E	Ethel Hedrick, Lexington, N. C	34		2 00	1 00	3 00	25 00
First, Greensboro	Y. P. S. C. E.	Eunice Long, Greensboro, N. C.	15				19 00	6 00
First, Greensboro	Jr. Y. P. S C. E.	Mrs. A. D. Wolfinger, Greensboro, N. C.	30					
First, Greensboro	Jr. Congregation		40					
St. Paul's, South Fork	Y. P. S. C. E.	Edw. Long, Newton, N. C.	38		2 00		2 00	3 00
First, High Point	Earnest Workers	Essie Beck, High Point, N. C.	19		5 00		3 35	110 00
First, High Point	Y. P. S. C. E.	Viola Faust, High Point, N. C.	21				1 00	4 75
First, High Point	Jr. Y. P. S. C. E.	Mabel Hedrick, High Point, N. C.	18					1 00
Faith, Salisbury	Jr. Y. P. S. C. E.	Ola Trexler, Salisbury, N. C.	12					7 50
Pilgrim, U. D. Charge	Y. P. S. C. E.	Buna Leonard, Lexington, N. C., R. 1	14					
Trinity, Concord	Mission Band	Mildred Luther, Concord, N. C.	16	8			50 00	
Corinth, Hickory	Y. P. S. C. E.	Mary Allen, Hickory, N. C.	37					
Ursinus, Rockwell Chg.	Mission Band	Hoy Fesperman, Rockwell, N. C.	51		5 00	5 00	4 00	5 00
Bethany, Rockwell Chg.	Mission Band	Mrs. Joe Safrit, Crescent, N. C.	44	35	15 00	10 00	5 00	7 00
St. Luke's, Rockwell Chg	Mission Band	Eddie Belle Peeler, Salisbury, N. C.	18		2 00	5 00	3 00	2 00
			801	52	41 00	27 00	121 35	231 52

STATISTICAL REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Name of Charge	Name of School	Name and Post Office Address of Superintendent	Name and Post Office Address of Primary Superintendent	MEMBERSHIP									Education						Church Relation			Contributions				
				1	Scholars						At Home											Missions				
				Officers & Teachers	2 Primary Dept. incl. Beginners	3 Junior Dept.	4 Intermediate Dept.	5 Senior Dept.	Total (This means the sum of cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)	Av. attendance (based on cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)	6 Cradle Roll	7 Home Dept.	Total Enrollment (Add cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7)	No. of Books in Library	Are Reform'd Lesson Helps used in School?	No. Org. Adult Classes	Teacher Training Clas.	No. Teacher Training Students Enrolled	Mission Study Classes	Scholars in full Church Membership	Scholars Baptized but not Confirmed	Scholars Confirmed During the Year	Home	Foreign	Gen. Synod's S.S. Work	Other Benevolence and Other Objects	Expenses and Support of School
Hickory	Corinth	B. B. Blackwelder, Hickory, N. C	Mrs. H. C. Menzies, Hickory, N. C.	21	81	25	----	80	207	140	32	----	239	50	yes	2	--	----	2	90	103	1	$---	$---	$--	$90	$174
Brookford	Brookford	Charles Huffman, Brookford, N. C.		6	27	34	----	40	107	60	----	----	107	----	yes	--	--	----	--	79	25	----	----	----	---	40	257
First, Lexington	First	J. T. Hedrick, Lexington, N. C.	Miss Beula Hanne, Lexington	16	88	79	68	176	427	237	30	---	457	305	yes	3	--	----	--	230	50	17	73	60	3	183	138
Second, "	Second	T. A. Swing, Lexington, N. C.	Mrs. M. P. Baim, Lexington, R. 2	10	30	50	25	58	173	105	18	---	191	100	yes	1	--	----	--	75	20	12	3	4	---	34	39
High Point	First	J. R. Young, High Point, N. C.	Mrs. Edgar Whitener, High Point	23	58	26	33	67	207	146	30	26	263	90	yes	2	1	6	1	90	32	5	5	5	3	17	127
High Point	Bethel	Thomas P. Andrew, High Point, N. C.		10	56	29	14	93	202	101	----	----	202	12	yes	2	--	----	--	75	20	----	3	3	---	31	25
Concord	Trinity	J. O. Moose, Concord, N. C.	Mrs. D. S. Lippard, Concord	18	24	24	4	34	104	65	10	12	126	----	yes	--	--	----	--	80	46	3	----	----	---	33	85
Lenoir	Zion	K. A. Link, Lenoir, N. C.	Mrs. J. R. McNairy, Lenoir	10	13	14	8	14	59	38	10	10	79	125	yes	--	1	8	--	42	37	2	30	5	5	54	46
Lincolnton	Emmanuel	J. A. Shuford, Lincolnton, N. C.	Miss Minnie Michael Lincolnton	10	20	12	10	25	77	46	----	----	77	21	yes	--	--	----	--	41	28	5	----	----	5	----	40
Schlatter Mem.	Schlatter Mem.	E. A. Sink, Winston-Salem, N. C.		3	28	18	14	15	76	54	----	----	76	45	yes	--	--	----	--	22	20	6	5	4	---	20	44
Faith	Shiloh	Luther Holshouser, Salisbury, N. C., R. 3		14	34	19	----	58	125	97	18	----	143	----	yes	--	--	----	--	83	46	----	----	12	6	51	155
Faith	Grace	C. A. Holshouser, Rockwell, N. C., R. F. D.		13	67	40	----	122	242	85	----	----	242	100	yes	--	--	----	--	148	32	16	---	----	4	57	127
Faith	Mt. Hope	Martin Weaver, China Grove, N. C., R. F. D.		12	30	24	22	30	118	88	----	----	118	----	yes	--	--	----	--	59	20	9	----	----	---	9	40
Bear Creek	St. James	O. A. Barinqer, Mt. Pleasant, N. C.	Mrs. A. W. Moose, Mt. Pleasant	15	25	11	9	50	110	70	----	----	110	----	yes	--	--	----	--	74	36	7	----	----	10	41	115

STATISTICAL REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS (Continued).

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				1	Scholars					At Home													Missions				
				Officers and Teachers	2 Primary Dept. incl. Beginners	3 Junior Dept.	4 Intermediate Dept.	5 Senior Dept.	Total (This means the sum of cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)	Av. Attendance (based on cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)	6 Cradle Roll	7 Home Dept.	Total Enrollment (Add cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7)	No. of Books in Library	Are Reform'd Lesson Helps used in School?	No. Org. Adult Classes	Adult Classes	Teacher Training Clas.	No. Teacher Training Students Enrolled	Mission Study Classes	Scholars in full Church Membership	Scholars Baptized but not Confirmed	Scholars Confirmed During the Year	Home	Foreign	Gen. Synod's S. Work	Other Benevolence and Other Objects	Expenses and Support of School
Bear Creek	Bethel	J. A. Rowland, Richfield, N. C., R.F.D.		19	48	33	18	164	277	148			277		yes						172	100	11			10	10	90
Bear Creek	Boger	M. D. Klutz, Gold Hill, N. C., R. 2	Miss Myrtle Allman, Concord, R. 4	11	62	11	34	46	164	88			164		yes		1	9			98	66	4					85
Catawba	Trinity	A. L. Shuford, Conover, N. C	Mrs. A. O. Schell, Conover	13	37	20	21	56	147	98	25		172	35	yes	2	1	8			80	70	6	5	5	5	90	50
Catawba	Bethany	L. P. Wilson, Claremont, N. C., R. 1		7	14	16	14		51	24			51		yes						27	20					17	15
Catawba	Smyrna	A. L. Martin, Catawba, N. C., R. 2		12	43	12	35	43	144	82			144		no	3					83	54					15	50
Upper Davidson	Beulah	M. L. Sowers, Lexington, N. C., R. 4		13	35	20	30	110	208	85			208		yes		1	9			132	45	6				50	50
Upper Davidson	Bethany	J. P. Long, Wallburg, R. 1		10	15		17	52	92	36			92		no						58		1				6	13
Upper Davidson	Pilgrim	J. Thomas Leonard, Lexington, N. C., R. 1		13	47		48	105	211	108			211		yes						152	50	11				55	44
Rockwell	Ursinus	George H. Peeler, Rockwell, N. C	Miss Annie Rinehardt, Rockwell	17	23	22	23	73	158	90	11		169		yes	2	1	12	1		83	46	6	22		54	43	84
Rockwell	Bethany	D. M. McCombs, Crescent, N. C		16	38	32	17	39	142	93	9		151		yes	1			1		74	54	9	4		5	37	29
Rockwell	St. Luke's	George D. Peeler, Salisbury, N. C., R. 6		9	11	10	8	30	69	43			69		yes	2	1	12			33	27	7	2		4	22	20
Gilead	Keller	Aaron Cook, Concord, N. C., R. 3		6	20	20	12		58	40			58		yes	1					25	20						12
Gilead	New Gilead	Luther Cline, Concord, N. C		11	22	11		47	91	45			91		yes	2					60	35	6					20
South Fork	Bethel	Gordon Whitener, Hickory, N. C., R.F.D.		8	15	10	10	28	71	45			71		yes						50	20	4				5	30

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South Fork	St. Paul's	J. M. Bost, Newton, N. C.		8	22	15	20	50	115	84			115		yes	1	1	6		85	25	7	5		10	10	40
South Fork	Grace	A. M. Icard, Lincolnton, N. C.		8	20	10	10	40	88	65			88		no	1				40	18	2				5	30
South Fork	Daniel's	T. F. Abernethy, Reepsville, N. C		5				32	37	22			37		yes					37						5	15
Burlington	Burlington	L. A. Sharpe, Burlington, N. C.		11	36	34	28	56	165	95			165		yes	4									10	5	75
Burlington	St. Mark's	Charles V. Boone, Burlington, N. C., R.F.D.		8	12	14	6	10	50	29			50		yes												25
Waughtown	First	J. S Wear, Winston-Salem, N. C.		14	33	39		58	144	92		8	152	20	yes	2				51		1				18	93
Waughtown	Hebron	L. L. Nifong. Winston-Salem. N C., R 4		9	16	16	19	22	80	53			80		yes	2				34		13	7				12
Waughtown	Bethlehem	Charles Hiatt, Winston-Salem, N C., R. 5		9	25	19	26	27	106	48			106		yes	1				24		3					13
Lower Davidson	Mt. Tabor	Fred Kepley, Lexington, N. C., R. 2		9	32	33	12	25	111	68			111		yes					75	25	3	5				25
Lower Davidson	Hedrick's Gro.	R. L. Beck, Lexington, N. C., R. 2		8	25	22	13	26	94	60			94		yes					40	40	7					20
Lower Davidson	Jerusalem	O. C. Hedrick, Lexington, N. C,, R. 2		7	21	20	16	23	87	49			87		no					16	12	3					15
Lower Davidson	Beck's	Willie Greer, Lexington, N. C., R. 6		8	25	26	17	35	111	70			111		yes					65	34	6					24
Emanuel	Emanuel	H. A. Grimes, Thomasville, N. C		12	65	16	26	102	221	90			221		no	2				150	40	13				90	50
Emanuel	Calvary	B. Black, Thomasville, N. C		9	18	21	30	60	138	60			138		no					50	16	6					35

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Emanuel	Zion	John Veach, Thomasville, N. C		13	20	32	18	100	183	70			183		no					120	30	5					50
West Rowan	Mt. Zion	Dr. G. A. Ramseur, China Grove, N. C		21	54		83	129	287	160			287		yes					175	112	16	10		70	49	112
West Rowan	St. Paul's	John F. McKnight, China Grove, N. C		8	10	6	10	32	66	45			66		yes					53	13	6				5	15
Heidelberg	Heidelberg	F. M. Hunter, Thomasville, N. C		13	40	24	33	21	131	76	26		157		yes	3				90	20	8				69	38
Lincoln	Maiden Mem	John F. Carpenter, Maiden, N. C		7	13	15		27	62	33			62	85	yes					43		12					30
Lincoln	St. Matthew's	J. L. Schum, Lincolnton, R. 4		6	12	20		22	60	35			60		yes					40		9					10
Guilford	Mt. Hope	Abigail Foust, Julian, R. 1		11	38	33	40	46	168	69			168		no	2				83		5				56	19
Guilford	Brick Church	Wilbert Clapp, Burlington, N. C		5	26	18	24	20	93	52			93		no	1				61		7				1	12
Salisbury	Faith	G. C. Fisher, Salisbury, N. C		9	27	13	9	40	98	51			98	80	yes	2	1	3		44	38	4	6	8	2	14	65
Newton	Grace	W. A. Reinhardt, Newton, N. C	Miss Mildred Rowe, Newton	18	40		54	93	205	125			205		yes					150	55	4	9			250	100
Greensboro	First	O. M. Rockett. Greensboro, N. C	Miss Pauline Gingrich, Greensboro	23	66	42	19	69	219	130	31	15	265		yes	2			1	84		11			5	85	76
Charlotte	First	B. J. Summerrow, Charlotte, N. C	Mrs. Shuford Peeler, Charlotte	9	8	7	6	29	59	37			59		yes				1	28	20	2				8	54
Total Number of Chargos, 29.	Total Number of Schools, 54.			614	1715	1121	1013	2849	7295	4125	250	71	7616	1068		46	9	73	7	3918	1614	298	194	106	211	1660	2815

CLASSICAL STATISTICAL REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1917

Index Number	Ministers	Post Office Address	Names of Charges or Congregations	Congregations	Members			Additions				Losses				S. School			Members Y. P. Societies	Students for Ministry	Contributions	
					Communicants	Communed	Unconfirmed	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confirmed	By Certificate	Renewal of Prof'n	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths, Communicts	Deaths, Unc'nfirmd	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars, Home Dept. and Cradle Roll included			For Benevolence (Total of cols. 8-21 of Blank No. 2)	Congregational Purposes
	John Ingle	Green Park, N. C	Without Charge.																				
	Michael L. Hedrick	Lexington, N. C., R. 6	Without Charge.																				
	Peter M. Trexler D. D	Salisbury, N. C., R. 6	Without Charge.																				
	Paul Barringer, D D	Mt. Pleasant, N. C	Without Charge.																				
1	Joseph L. Murphy. D. D	Hickory, N. C	Corinth, Hickory	1	323	275	108	6	3	7	8	---	7	---	4	1	1	14	239	27	--	$1396	$2629
2	Jacob C. Leonard, D. D	Lexington, N. C	First, Lexington	1	403	312	79	7	9	19	12	5	6	4	3	---	1	16	457	65	--	1045	1946
3			Hedrick's Grove	1	86	70	25	3	2	5	---	---	---	1	---	1	1	8	94	----	--	35	125
4	J. M. Luther Lyerly. Ph. D.,	Crescent, N. C	Mt. Tabor	1	85	70	28	2	---	3	1	1	---	---	---	---	1	9	111	----	--	30	140
5	Supply	Lower Davidson Charge.	Jerusalem	1	37	30	14	1	2	1	---	---	---	1	---	---	1	7	87	----	--	20	75
6			Beck's	1	121	101	61	3	3	4	---	1	---	1	2	2	1	8	111	----	--	60	150
	James D. Andrew	Newton, N. C	President Catawba College.																				
	Julius H. Shuford	Hickory, N. C	Without Charge.																				
7	Wm. H. McNairy	Lincolnton, N. C	Emanuel, Lincolnton	1	62	53	44	1	---	5	3	2	2	---	---	---	1	10	77	----	--	100	470
	Henry E. Sechler	China Grove, N. C	Without Charge.																				
8	John H. Keller	China Grove, N. C	Mt. Zion	1	338	285	215	21	---	15	7	1	7	---	4	1	1	21	287	----	--	677	860
9		West Rowan Charge.	St. Paul's	1	60	50	27	4	---	6	---	---	---	---	---	---	1	8	66	----	--	85	162
10			First, Waughtown	1	54	32	1	---	1	1	---	---	---	3	---	---	1	14	144	----	--	102	256
11	David E. Bowers	Winston-Salem. N. C	Hebron	1	100	62	24	5	2	9	2	---	1	---	---	---	1	9	80	----	--	87	244
12		Waughtown Charge.	Bethlehem	1	36	20	---	---	1	1	---	1	1	1	---	---	1	9	106	----	--	25	25
13	Walter W. Rowe	Newton N. C	Grace, Newton	1	218	160	110	11	---	3	2	---	16	---	2	---	1	18	205	119	2	938	800
14	Shuford Peeler	Charlotte, N. C	First, Charlotte	1	30	28	9	1	---	2	10	---	---	---	---	---	1	9	59	----	--	49	350
	Allen R. Holshouser, M. D	Rockwell, N. C	Without Charge.																				
	Anthony Shulenberger	China Grove, N. C	Without Charge.																				
	E. Garver Williams, D. D	Tabor, N. C	Without Charge.																				
15	Lee A. Peeler	High Point, N. C	First, High Point	1	133	101	35	9	3	6	7	8	4	4	1	---	1	23	263	58	--	237	1250

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	Joseph W. Bell	Crescent, N. C	Supt. Nazareth O. H																				
16	A. Samuel Peeler	Lenoir, N. C	Zion, Lenoir	1	53	47	25	3	1	2	---	---	6	---	1	---	1	10	79	9	--	704	1105
17	Columbus C. Wagoner	Salisbury, N. C	Faith, Salisbury	1	81	64	30	2	1	4	10	---	---	2	1	---	1	9	98	12	--	202	1107
18			Emanuel	1	158	100	---	---	1	6	2	---	---	---	3	---	1	12	221	---	--	13	354
19	Dougan C. Cox	Thomasville, N. C	Calvary	1	60	45	---	---	3	6	2	---	2	---	---	---	1	9	138	---	--	---	125
20		Emanuel Charge.	Zion	1	113	60	---	1	1	1	---	---	---	---	---	---	1	13	183	---	--	5	200
21	Vacant	Mt. Pleasant, N. C	New Gilead	1	135	70	100	4	---	6	---	---	2	---	---	3	1	11	91	---	--	54	378
22		Gilead Charge.	Keller	1	43	18	35	1	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	1	6	58	---	--	8	166
23	John A. Koons	Rockwell, N. C	St. Luke's	1	61	58	15	1	---	7	1	---	2	---	2	---	1	9	69	18	1	93	300
24		Rockwell Charge.	Ursinus	1	110	104	53	8	1	6	4	2	1	5	1	2	1	17	169	51	3	271	600
25			Bethany	1	80	75	25	2	3	9	---	---	4	---	1	---	1	16	151	79	--	163	400
	Macon A. Huffman	Lexington, N. C	Without Charge.																				
26			Pilgrim	1	219	180	17	4	2	13	3	---	8	---	4	---	1	13	211	14	--	331	412
27	Jacob A. Palmer	Lexington, N. C,, R. 1	Beulah	1	221	168	23	5	2	9	4	---	1	---	2	---	1	13	208	---	1	84	372
28		Upper Davidson Charge.	Bethany	1	76	60	3	---	1	1	---	---	---	---	1	---	1	10	92	---	--	54	135
29	John C. Peeler	Conover, N. C	Smyrna	1	45	39	25	2	---	---	4	---	---	---	1	---	1	12	144	---	--	40	150
30		Catawba Charge.	Bethany	1	36	32	20	3	---	---	3	---	10	4	---	---	1	7	51	---	--	89	100
31			Trinity, St. John's	1	98	86	31	18	--	7	10	--	--	1	--	1	1	13	172	77	--	296	525
	Albert F. Nace		Without Charge.																				
32	Wm. C. Lyerly	Mt. Pleasant, N. C	St. James	1	91	62	28	1	---	7	2	---	8	---	2	---	1	15	110	20	--	423	451
33		Bear Creek Charge.	Bethel	1	200	184	79	5	---	11	---	---	3	1	5	---	1	19	277	38	1	489	404
34			Boger	1	63	58	32	3	---	4	6	1	2	---	1	---	1	11	164	40	--	155	112
35	Harvey A. Welker	Salisbury, N. C., R. 3.	Shiloh	1	95	85	79	6	---	---	4	3	1	---	1	---	1	14	143	35	1	184	561
36		Faith Charge.	Grace	1	145	135	53	3	3	16	4	---	3	---	2	---	1	13	242	---	1	295	415
37			Mt. Hope	1	65	50	48	1	---	9	---	---	---	2	1	---	1	12	118	---	--	94	224

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38	G. Ermine Plott	Thomasville, N. C.	Heidelberg, Thomasville	1	115	70	27	1	3	9	3	---	4	29	2	---	1	13	157	---	--	245	902
39	Harvey A. M. Holshouser, Ph.D	Winston-Salem, N. C.	Schlatter Memorial	1	19	---	20	3	1	1	5	---	1	---	---	---	1	3	76	---	---	36	4200
40	Harvey A. Fesperman	Newton, N. C., R. 1	St. Paul's	1	105	85	20	3	---	7	8	---	1	---	---	---	1	8	115	38	---	126	300
41		South Fork Charge.	Bethel	1	74	60	15	2	---	5	7	---	6	2	---	---	1	8	71	---	1	80	225
42			Grace	1	83	60	16	1	---	6	---	---	---	---	---	---	1	8	88	---	1	123	200
43			Daniel's	1	51	35	7	---	---	---	---	---	2	---	2	---	1	5	37	---	--	107	210
44	Abram D. Wolfinger, D. D.	Greensboro, N. C.	First, Greensboro	1	138	108	---	3	2	7	14	5	2	25	---	---	1	23	265	85	--	313	1655
45	Harvey G. Kopenhaver	High Point, N. C.	Bethel, High Point	1	72	40	27	7	---	---	10	1	1	4	1	1	1	10	202	60	--	87	172
46	Albert Klinger	Julian, N. C., R. 1	Mt. Hope	1	222	124	50	6	8	3	2	---	4	3	1	2	1	11	168	---	--	119	506
47		Guilford Charge.	Brick	1	95	70	41	5	8	4	---	---	3	---	1	---	1	5	93	---	--	14	233
48	Albert H. Zechiel	Burlington, N. C.	Burlington	1	170	150	25	12	6	---	6	3	3	58	1	---	1	11	165	---	--	250	700
49		Burlington Charge.	St. Mark's	1	125	115	10	2	---	1	---	---	3	10	---	---	1	8	50	---	--	150	250
50			Fairview	1	24	24	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	4	---	---	---	---	---	---	--	50	100
51	J. D. Andrew, Supply	Maiden, N. C.	Memorial	1	113	48	---	6	---	16	---	---	3	---	1	---	1	7	62	---	--	37	165
52		Lincoln Charge.	Salem	1	30	30	10	2	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	--	32	---
53			St. Matthew's	1	114	---	---	13	---	16	5	---	---	---	1	---	1	6	60	---	--	45	100
57		Albemarle, N. C.	First, Albemarle	1	14	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	--	---	---
54	J. L. Murphy, Supply	Hickory, N. C.	Faith, Brookford	1	50	30	25	6	---	---	---	---	---	27	---	---	1	6	107	---	--	59	130
55	J. C. Leonard, Supply	Lexington, N. C.	Second Lexington	1	91	47	8	---	18	19	2	4	3	16	---	---	1	10	191	---	--	112	633
58	Vacant.	Blowing Rock, N. C.	Mt. Bethel	1	6	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	--	---	---
56	Vacant.	Concord, N. C.	Trinity, Concord	1	108	70	30	3	---	3	1	---	2	---	1	---	1	18	126	24	--	278	402
				58	6153	4595	1802	222	91	308	174	38	135	208	56	14	54	616	7667	869	11	11146	30161

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1	J. W. Warlick	Corinth	Hickory, N. C	8	8	60	15	$190	$155	$	$	$27	$	$6	$22	$208	$	$5	$6	$125	$652	$25000	$5000
2	J. T. Hedrick	First Reformed	Lexington, N. C	10	10	183	35	155	90	312	7				47	197		5	7	135	90	26500	2500
3	R. L. Beck	Hedrick's Grove	Lexington, N. C., Route 2	3	4	30																500	1000
4	A. H. Repley	Mt Tabor	Lexington, N. C., Route 2	2	4	25																2000	
5	Alexander Hedrick	Jerusalem	Lexington, N. C., Route 2	2	2	15																400	
6	S. C. Burkhart	Beck's	Lexington, N. C., Route 6	4	2	40																1750	
7	James A. Shuford	Immanuel's	Lincolnton, N. C	3	3	26		28	23			5			3	10		1	1	14	15	12000	
8	J. P. Lynn	Mt. Zion	Landis, N. C	4	4	133	33	332	117					5	27	95				101		5000	1000
9	J. F. McKnight	St. Paul's	China Grove, N. C	3	3	16	1	25	16					1	3	20				15	5	2000	
10	J. S. Wear	First	35 Light St., Winston-Salem, N. C	4	4	31	1	33	16					1	4	15		1	1	17	14	4000	2000
11	C. I. Nifong	Hebron	Winston-Salem, N. C., Route 4	4	4	44		2								44		1	1	26	15	1200	
2	O. H. Bodenhamer	Bethlehem	Winston-Salem, N. C., Route 5	2	2	15		4								16			1	7		900	
13	J. B. Leonard	Grace	Newton, N. C	8	8	80	32	150	100					4	400	115		4	5	65	100	7500	2500
14	J. C. Peck	First	Charlotte, N. C	2	2	15	4	10	11											18	10		
15	J. R. Young	First	High Point, N. C	6	6	62	15	60	15		18	3			7	23		1	2	30	78	20000	
16	A. A. Blackwelder	Zion	Lenoir, N. C	4	4	25	9	204	81		38	10		2	57	109		1	2	18	192	2500	2500
17	G. C. Fisher	Faith	Salisbury, N. C	5	5	28	17	50	58		3		7	2	17	31		1	3	25	8	6000	2000
18	H. A. Grimes	Immanuel	Thomasville, N. C	4	5							8				8						1500	1800
19	B. Black	Calvary	Thomasville, N. C	3	2																	1800	
20	John Veach	Zion	Thomasville, N. C	4	4											5						1400	
21	Fred Nelsler	New Gllead	Concord, N. C	4	4	46	5									36	18					1700	800
22	Pink Haynes	Keller	Concord, N. C	2	2	17	4									5	3					600	
23	C. B. Fisher	St Luke's	Salisbury, N. C., Route 6	4	2	19	8													40	53	1100	
24	J. W. Peeler	Ursinus	Rockwell, N. C	4	4	30	12													90	181	800	1600
25	Adam Lyerly	Bethany	Crescent, N. C	3	3	18	10													42	121	1100	
26	A. P. Long	Pilgrim	Thomasville, N. C., Route 1	6	6	67	5	84	72					3	15			2	4	50	101	3000	2000
27	M. L Sowers	Beulah	Lexington, N. C., Route 4	6	6	81												2	3	50	30	2000	
28	W. A. Murphy	Bethany	Thomasville, N. C., Route 1	4	4	30		12	8						4			1	2	15	12	2000	
29	B. A. Hildebrand	Smyrna	Catawba, N. C., Route 2	4	4	18	4	12	9					1	2	15		1		9		500	
30	L. A Wilson	Bethany	Claremont, N. C., Route 1	3	3	15	3	12	9						2	17		1	1	9		500	

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31	C. C. Herman	St. John's / Trinity	Conover, N. C., Route 3	4	4	27	8	42	94					1	8	90		1	1	27	95	2000	1000
32	O. A. Barringer	St. James	Mt. Pleasant, N. C	4	4	34	13	85	11	152				1	10	108		1	2	45	8	1500	1800
33	A. C. Lentz	Bethel	Gold Hill, N. C., Route 2	4	4	62	7	28	148	90				3	15	148		2	3	30	22	2500	
34	J. A. Safrit	Boger	Concord, N. C., Route 4	2	2	21		22	10	10				1	5	80		1	1	15	10	1000	
35	J. D. A. Fisher	Shiloh	Salisbury, N. C., Route 3	4	4	50	15	30	50	35				1	10	25		1	2			2000	1500
36	Lewis Holshouser	Grace	Rockwell, N. C	4	4	60	20	40	60	45				3	15	37		1	2			3600	400
37	G. H. Pless	Mt. Hope	China Grove, N. C., Route 1	4	4		6	10	19	8				1	2	9		1	1		14	2000	250
38	F. M. Hunter	Heidelberg	Thomasville, N. C	5	5	62	13	5	4		4					130				90	12	4000	1500
39	E. A. Sink	Schlatter Memorial	Winston-Salem, N. C	1	1	10	4	5	4					1	1	6			1	15	3	20000	
40	J. R. Fulbright	St. Paul's	Newton, N. C	4	4	35	1	27	21					1	5	35		1	2	16	18	1400	1000
41	Gordon Whitener	Bethel	Hickory, N. C	3	3	32		28	21					1	5	8			1	16		1800	
42	G. S. Wilfong	Grace	Newton, N. C	3	3	37	2	27	21					1	5	53		1	1	17		2000	
43	J. R. Warlick	Daniel's	Reepsville, N. C	3	3	15	1	28	22					1	5	35		1	1	16		2500	
44	John F. Troxler	First	Greensboro, N. C	5	5	70	10	60	20		5			2	12	75		2	2	45	90	15000	4800
45	H. G. Kopenhaver	Bethel	High Point, N. C	4	4	36	10	25	18					1	5	7		1	1	15	4	5000	2000
46	R. B. Andrews	Mt. Hope	Sedalia, N. C	6	4	82										56				6		3000	2000
47	W. H. Albright	Brick	Gibsonville, N. C., Route 2	6	4	41										1				13		3000	
48	Jacob Slaughter	Burlington	Burlington, N. C	4	6	86	12	25			25					50						4000	3000
49	W. R. White	St. Mark's	Burlington, N. C	4	4	40										40						600	
50	J. H. Joyner	Fairview	Whitsett, N. C	1	1	8										25						2000	
51	S. M. Finger	Memorial	Maiden, N. C	4	4	40																2000	
52	Jacob Ramsaur	Salem	Lincolnton, N. C	1	2	10																500	
53	H. J. Crooks	St. Matthew's	Lincolnton, N. C	3	3	20																2500	
54		Faith, Prookford	Hickory, N. C.																				
55	T. A. Swing	Second	Lexington, N. C, R 2	3	3	46	3	15	10	13	2				5	27		1	1	24	14	1500	
56	J. H. A. Holshouser	Trinity	Concord, N. C	3	3	40	10	60	42					2	10			2		37	130	4500	2500
57	John Peck	First	Albemarle, N. C	2	2	6																	
58		Mt. Bethel	Blowing Rock, N. C																				
				216	214	2139	348	1925	1355	665	102	53	7	46	728	2014	21	44	61	1328	2097	225150	46450

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South Fork Charge

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MEETING OF CLASSIS, JUNE 18, 1917.

The Classis of North Carolina met in obedience to the following call:

LEXINGTON, N. C., June 4, 1917.

Dear Brother:—There will be a special meeting of the Classis of North Carolina in Faith Reformed Church, Salisbury, June 18, 1917, at 3 o'clock p. m., to consider the following items of business: 1. Report of Student G. A. Ingle. 2. Resignation of Rev. J. L. Murphy as a member of the Committee on Schools, Colleges and Seminaries. 3. The new Hymnal sent down by the General Synod. 4. Dismission of Rev. M. A. Huffman to the Winston District Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church South. Please notify your elder.

By order of the President.

J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. J. C. Peeler. The following members were present: Revs. D. C. Cox, J. L. Murphy, H. A. Welker, A. D. Wolfinger, C. C. Wagoner, J. C. Peeler, J. A. Koons and J. C. Leonard; Elders G. W. Leonard, John V. Fisher, J. O. Moose, J. D. A. Fisher, W. M. McCombs. Student A. R. Tosh was invited to a seat in Classis.

The items of the call were disposed of in the following action:

1. The item was adopted.

2. The Classis did not see its way clear to accept the resignation of Rev. J. L. Murphy.

3. The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Classis of North Carolina hereby approves of the new Hymnal sent down by the General Synod.

4. The request was granted, and Rev. M. A. Huffman was dismissed to the Winston District of the Methodist Episcopal Church South.

The Minutes were read and approved, and the Classis adjourned with the Benediction by Rev. A. D. Wolfinger.

D. C. Cox, *President.*

J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, JULY 1, 1917

Revs. D. C. Cox and J. C. Leonard met in obedience to the following call:

LEXINGTON, N. C., June 18, 1917.

Dear Brother:—There will be a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Classis of North Carolina in the First Reformed parsonage, Lexington, July 2, 1917, at 10 o'clock a. m., to attend to the following: 1. Dismission of Rev. W. B. Werner from the Classis of Maryland, Potomac Synod, to this Classis. 2. Resignation of Rev. H. A. M. Holshouser as pastor of Schlatter Memorial Reformed Church, Winston-Salem. 3. Reports of Students Tosh and Whitener. 4. Report of the Committee on the Installation of Rev. L. A. Peeler at Albemarle. Please notify your elder.

By order of the President.

J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

The items were disposed of as follows:

1. Rev. W. B. Werner was received from Maryland Classis, Potomac Synod.

2. At the joint request of the pastor and consistory of Schlatter Memorial Church, Winston-Salem, the pastoral relation between Rev. H. A. M. Holshouser and said Church was dissolved to go into effect June 30.

3. The reports were adopted.

4. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis:

Your committee appointed to install Rev. L. A. Peeler pastor of the First Reformed Church, Albemarle, beg leave to report that the service was held on the night of June 10, 1917. The sermon was preached by Rev. W. C. Lyerly and the installation was conducted by Rev. J. A. Koons.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. KOONS,
W. C. LYERLY.

The expenses amounted to $1.75.

J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, AUGUST 18, 1917.

The following is the call:

LEXINGTON, N. C., August 4, 1917.

Dear Brother:—The Executive Committee of the Classis of North Carolina will meet in the First Reformed parsonage, Lexington, August 18, 1917, at 10 o'clock a. m., to attend to the following business: 1. Appointment of a Committee of Supply for Schlatter Memorial Church, Winston-Salem. 2. Notice of reception of Rev. M. A. Huffman by the Methodist Episcopal Church. Please notify your elder.

By order of the President.

J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

The following action was taken:

1. The following were appointed a Committee of Supply for the Schlatter Memorial Church, Winston-Salem: Revs. D. E. Bowers, J. A. Palmer and G. E. Plott

2. The papers were in order and the item was adopted.

The expense of the meeting amountd to $1.25.

J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, NOVEMBER 10, 1917.

The Executive Committee of the Classis of North Carolina met in harmony with the following call:

LEXINGTON, N. C., October 27, 1917.

Dear Brother:—The Executive Committee of the Classis of North Carolina will meet in the First Reformed parsonage, Lexington, November 10, 1917, at 10 o'clock a. m., to attend to the following items: 1. Resignation of Rev. G. E. Plott as pastor of Heidelberg Church, Thomasville. 2. Call to Rev. G. E. Plott from Schlatter Memorial Church, Winston-Salem. 3. Reception of Mr. Elmer Reece Everhart as a student for the gospel ministry. 4. Reception of Rev. Roy E. Leinbach from Philadelphia Classis, Eastern Synod. 5. Call to Rev. R. E. Leinbach from the First Church of High Point. Please notify your elder. By order of the President.

J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

The items were disposed of in the following action:

1. At the joint request of Rev. G. E. Plott and the consistory of Heidelberg Church, Thomasville, the pastoral relation was dissolved and the charge declared vacant. Revs. D. C. Cox, J. A. Palmer and J. C. Leonard were appointed a Committee of Supply.

2. The call to Rev. G. E. Plott from Schlatter Memorial Church, Winston-Salem, was found in order and confirmed. The following committee was appointed to install him pastor: Revs. D. E. Bowers, D. C. Cox and J. A. Palmer.

3. On the recommendation of the Solliday Committee, Mr. Elmer Reece Everhart was received under the care of Classis as a student for the gospel ministry.

4. Rev. Roy E. Leinbach was received from Philadelphia Classis, Eastern Synod, and his name placed on the roll of ministers.

5. The call to Rev. R. E. Leinbach from the First Church, High Point, was found in order and confirmed. The following committee was appointed to install him pastor: Revs. A. D. Wolfinger, J. C. Leonard and H. G. Kopenhaver.

J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, DECEMBER 28, 1917.

The Executive Committee met in harmony with the following call:

LEXINGTON, N. C., December 14, 1917.

Dear Brother:—The Executive Committee of the Classis of North Carolina will meet in the First Reformed parsonage, Lexington, December 28, 1917, at 10 o'clock a. m., to attend to the following items of business: 1. Resignation of Rev. W. W. Rowe as pastor of Grace Church, Newton. 2. Call to Rev. W. W. Rowe from Corinth Church, Hickory. 3. Resignation of Rev. H. G. Kopenhaver as pastor of Bethel Church, High Point. Please notify your elder

By order of the President.

J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

The items were disposed of in the following action:

1. The pastoral relation between Rev. W. W. Rowe and Grace Church, Newton, was dissolved and the charge declared vacant.

2. The call to Rev. W. W. Rowe from Corinth Church, Hickory, was found in order and confirmed. The following committee was appointed to install him pastor: Revs. J. D. Andrew, J. C. Peeler and H. A. Fesperman.

3. The pastoral relation between Rev. H. G. Kopenhaver and Bethel Church, High Point, was dissolved and the charge declared vacant. The following were appointed a Committee

of Supply: Revs. R. E. Leinbach, D. C. Cox and J. A. Palmer.

The expenses of the meeting amount to $1.75.

J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

MEETING OF CLASSIS, JANUARY 10, 1918.

The Classis of North Carolina met in special session in Faith Reformed Church, Salisbury, January 10, 1918, at 12 o'clock noon, in harmony with the call which had been issued. The devotional services were conducted by Rev. W. H. McNairy. The following members were present:

Ministers—J. C. Leonard, J. D. Andrew, W. H. McNairy, W. W. Rowe, Shuford Peeler, L A. Peeler, C. C. Wagoner, D. C. Cox, J. A. Koons, J. A. Palmer, J. C. Peeler, W. C. Lyerly, H. A Welker, G. E. Plott, H. A. Fesperman, A. D. Wolfinger, W. B. Werner, R. E Leinbach.

Elders—J. D. A. Fisher, H. A. Yost, A. D. Haren, F. M. Holshouser, E. T. Hedrick, G. Y. Stone, W. G. Hinkle, M. R. Harris, J. O. Moose, W. M. McCombs.

Advisory Members—M. L. Sowers, W. Lacy Leonard, A. C. Tussey, J. T. Plott, M. G. Lentz, B. A. Fesperman, C. A. Holshouser, M. T. Roseman, John L. Fisher, J. M. Hedrick, G. A. Trexler, J. R. Fisher.

In explanation of the object of the meeting of Classis the President read the following communication:

December 7, 1917.

Dear Brethren:—At a meeting of the Trustees of Catawba College, held at Newton, December 6th, the resignation of President Andrew was accepted. A full meeting of the Board prayerfully and earnestly considered the present and future interests of the College from every angle and viewpoint. The conclusion unanimously arrived at is that the present moment is the crisis in the existence of the College. The

whole Reformed Church has a vital interest in the institution. The Synod of the Potomac has a direct relation to the College, the power of nominating the Trustees being intrusted to this body. The Classis of North Carolina is the owner of Catawba College, and naturally has a most vital interest in its development. The school has done a great work for the Reformed Church, and has been the richest blessing to hundreds of young men and women. Its work has gone on through a long period of years.

In recent years conditions have changed. New buildings had to be erected and new equipment installed involving the expenditure of large sums of money. For several years past the College has been carrying a debt of about $18,000. The general endowment fund amounts to about $24,000, and the Solliday Fund to $20,000, a total of about $44,000. The buildings and grounds are worth many thousands of dollars.

With a view to determine just what the wishes of the owners of the institution are the Trustees took the following action:

Resolved, That the problem of the future of Catawba College be by referendum hereby laid before all the consistories of the Reformed Church in North Carolina for an expression of their convictions and desires as to whether the Board of Trustes shall proceed to elect a new President and faculty, or shall proceed to wind up the affairs of the College and close it as an institution of the Reformed Church.

Resolved, That the Trustees request the said governing bodies of the Churches to elect representatives to a central meeting to be held in Faith Reformed Church, Salisbury, Thursday, Jan. 10, 1918, at 2 o'clock p. m., these representatives together with all the members of the Classis of North Carolina to determine from the instructions given by the consistories a course to be recommended to the Trustees of Catawba College as to an adjustment of the problems now confronting the said Trustees.

Resolved, That the officers of Classis be requested to call a meeting of that body to meet at the same place at 12 o'clock noon on the same date to consider this subject in any way that may be necessary.

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to carry this action into effect.

In harmony with the foregoing action of the Trustees, the pastors and officers of the Churches within the Classis of North Carolina are asked and urged to express their convictions and wishes, and to communicate their action to the committee, and also to send one or more representatives to the Salisbury meeting.

J. C. LEONARD, *Chairman,*
SHUFORD PEELER,
EDGAR WHITENER.

To the Members of the Classis of North Carolina:

In compliance with the above request, Classis is hereby called to meet in Faith Reformed Church, Salisbury, Jan. 10, 1918, at 12 o'clock noon, to consider any matters which may be necessary in connection with the above subject.

By order of the President.

J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

Lexington, N. C., December 7, 1917.

There was a general discussion of this referendum, participated in by both ministers and elders. The following action was taken by unanimous vote:

The Classis of North Carolina assembled in special session January 10, 1918, in answer to the courteous request of the Trustees of Catawba College, desires to place itself on record as follows:

We feel that Catawba College has served a splendid purpose and has rendered an excellent service in the field of its activities. It was founded many years ago by our fathers who have long since been called to their eternal reward. The fathers sacrificed greatly to found the institution. Their suc-

cessors have been loyal to the trust handed down to them from the former generation. The membership of the Churches in North Carolina at the present day belong to the third generation of the builders of Catawba College. The question which confronts us is whether we will make the supreme sacrifice which is now demanded to preserve what has been handed down to us. The crisis is upon us. We must decide yes or no. Shall we rise to the needs of the hour, or shall we surrender the institution of many prayers and much sacrifice? The burden is a heavy one. The call is for heroic activity if the work is to go on. All things considered, we are led to the following conclusion:

Resolved, That because of the intimate relation of Catawba College to the missionary work of the Reformed Church in the South, our supply of ministers coming so very largely from this institution, we do not find it in our hearts to advise the discontinuance of this noble institution of learning. On the other hand we request the Trustees to lay wise plans for the future, and to set in motion machinery that will bring the results needed at this crisis. We desire to see a strong man placed at the head of the faculty, and a corps of assistants who will bring honor and credit to both the denomination and the College. We advise that all our people be challenged to contribute to the support of the institution. We think that solicitation for funds should be extended throughout the Reformed denomination. We believe that the Trustees will be justified in placing a financial agent in the field for the specific purpose of raising funds.

Resolved, That we pledge to the Trustees the hearty support of the Classis of North Carolina in the endeavor to place Catawba College upon a firm basis.

The above action was referred to the committee of the Trustees of Catawba College, the same to be referred to the convention to meet in this same church at 2 o'clock today.

It was ordered that the general canvass planned in the interest of our educational institutions should be held in abeyance until the Trustees of the College shall have acted upon the general subject of the referendum.

The Minutes were read and approved, and the Classis adjourned with the Benediction by Rev. L. A. Peeler.

D. C. Cox, *President,*
J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

As a matter of information the action of the general meeting referred to above is herewith given:

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD IN THE INTEREST OF CATAWBA COLLEGE.

A meeting of the ministers and elders of the North Carolina Classis of the Reformed Church in the U. S., together with the representatives of the various congregations within the bounds of the Classis, met in Faith Reformed Church, Salisbury, N. C., Jan. 10, 1918, as per request of the Trustees of Catawba College, Newton, N. C., to consider the present problems that confront said institution. The following ministers of the Classis were present: Revs. J. C. Leonard, D. D., J. D. Andrew, W. H. McNairy, W. W. Rowe, Shuford Peeler, L. A. Peeler, C. C. Wagoner, J. A Koons, J. A. Palmer, J. C. Peeler, W. C. Lyerly, H. A. Welker, G. E. Plott, H. A. Fesperman, A. D. Wolfinger, D. D., D. C. Cox, W. B. Werner and R. E. Leinbach. The following congregations and charges were represented by their delegate elders as follows: Faith Charge, J. D. A. Fisher; West Rowan, H. A. Yost; South Fork, A. D. Haren; Faith, Salisbury, F. M. Holshouser; First, High Point, E. T. Hedrick; Heidelberg, Thomasville, W. G. Hinkle; Emanuel, M. R. Harris; Trinity, Concord, J. O. Moose; Rockwell, W. M. McCombs; Second, Lexington, G. W. Leonard. Representatives from the congregations other than the delegate elders were as follows: Lower Stone, C. A. Holshouser; Mt. Hope, M. T. Roseman; Mt. Zion, J. E. Correll; Bear Creek, M. G. Lentz; Faith, Salisbury, G. C.

Fisher; First, Lexington, H. H. Koontz; Grace, Newton, Dr. H. E. Rowe; Beulah, M. L. Sowers; Pilgrim, W. Lacy Leonard; Bethany, J. T. Jenkins; First, High Point, J. M. Hedrick; Bethel, High Point, G. Y. Stone; First, Greensboro, J. T. Plott; Trinity, Conover, S. S. Rowe; Ursinus, Rockwell, B. A. Fesperman; Bethany, Crescent, J. L. Fisher; St. Luke's, G. A. Trexler. The following laymen were invited to seats in the meeting: Rufus Fisher, Edgar Whitener, D. T. Peeler, Banks Peeler, J. H. Lyerly, J. R. Fisher, J. W. Peeler, Geo. H. Peeler, Alex. Peeler and J. M. Holshouser.

On motion of Dr. J. C. Leonard, Edgar Whitener was made Chairman of the meeting. Rev. L. A. Peeler was appointed to act as Secretary.

Dr. J. C. Leonard, Chairman of the committee appointed by the Trustees of Catawba College, read the following statement:

Immediately after this special interest of the College was entrusted to us, we sent a circular letter to all the pastors and consistories of the Churches. In this letter we published the official action of the Trustees. We also offered certain facts by way of explanation. In connection with this trust we also laid the facts before the whole Reformed Church through our denominational papers. In our several communications and in the circular letter, as well as through a somewhat extensive personal correspondence, we have invited a free expression of opinion. We have sincerely and earnestly tried to acquaint the people with the serious crisis which Catawba College is now facing. A study of the communications that have come to us as a result of the referendum is exceedingly interesting. The editorial comments of our church papers are quite illuminating, reflecting as they are supposed to do the views of the Church at large. The consistories that have replied have been very emphatic in the expression of their convictions. Letters from the Secretaries of our denominational Mission and other Boards are clear cut and decisive.

Suggestions as to ways and means of meeting the financial obligations are made by some individuals and consistories. The idea of selling a part of the College grounds is advanced. The appointment of an agent to go into North Carolina and elsewhere is mentioned. The proposition was made to apportion the debt to the several Churches of Classis according to membership and wealth. Another proposition was that the College be relocated. One consistory desires to leave the determination of this great matter to the Trustees.

From a sifting of these many answers to the referendum we find standing out clear and unmistakable a strong protest against closing the institution. The conviction seems to be almost unanimous that Catawba College is essential to the educational and missionary work of the Reformed Church. We venture to present the following resolutions:

Resolved, That we request the Trustees of Catawba College to proceed at once by prayerful and judicious consideration to select a President of the institution and such additional teachers and professors as may be necessary to place the College upon a high plane of Christian education.

Resolved, That we request the Trustees to appoint a Field Secretary, who shall be paid a suitable compensation, to canvass the Churches in North Carolina and to solicit funds elsewhere to cover the indebtedness of the College, to increase the endowment and to raise funds for the general current expenses.

Resolved, That we pledge our moral and financial support to the Trustees in this advanced propaganda.

J. C. LEONARD,
SHUFORD PEELER.
EDGAR WHITENER.

These resolutions were considered item by item and adopted. They were finally adopted as a whole.

The Minutes of the session were read and approved, and the meeting adjourned with prayer by Rev. R. E. Leinbach.

EDGAR WHITENER, *Chairman,*
L. A. PEELER, *Secretary.*

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, FEBRUARY 15, 1918.

The Executive Committee of the Classis of North Carolina met in harmony with the following call:

LEXINGTON, N. C., January 31, 1918.

Dear Brother:—The Executive Committee of the Classis of North Carolina will meet in the First Reformed parsonage, Lexington, February 15, 1918, at 10 o'clock a. m., to attend to the following items: 1. Resignation of Rev. J. A. Palmer as pastor of the Upper Davidson Charge. 2. Call to Rev. J. A. Palmer from Heidelberg Church, Thomasville; 3. Resignation of Rev. A. H. Zechiel as pastor of the Burlington Charge. 4. Dismission of Rev. A. H. Zechiel to the Dayton Presbytery, Presbyterian Church U. S. A. Please notify your elder.

By order of the President.

J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

The items were disposed of as follows:

1. The pastoral relation between Rev. J. A. Palmer and the Upper Davidson Charge was dissolved, at the request of the pastor and the joint consistory of the charge, and the charge was declared vacant.

2. The call to Rev. J. A. Palmer from Heidelberg Church, Thomasville, was found in order and confirmed. The following were appointed a Committee of Installation: Revs. D. C. Cox, R. E. Leinbach and G. E. Plott.

3. At the request of Rev. A. H. Zechiel and the joint consistory of the Burlington Charge the pastoral relation of this minister and charge was dissolved, the dissolution to go into

effect February 26, 1918. The following were appointed a Committee of Supply for the Burlington Charge: Revs. A. Klinger, A. D. Wolfinger and R. E. Leinbach.

4. Objection having been filed by officials of the Burlington Congregation and Charge to the dismission of Rev. A. H. Zechiel from the Classis of North Carolina at this time on account of certain legal obligations assumed in the building of the new parsonage of that congregation and charge, the Executive Committee adjourned to meet in the Reformed Church at Burlington, N. C., February 19, 1918, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of conferring with Rev. A. H. Zechiel and the officials of the Burlington Church and Charge in the hope of coming to an agreement in the said matter.

J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

Satisfactory evidence having been furnished the Executive Committee by the date named above, to which adjournment was taken, that the matters concerning the Burlington parsonage had been adjusted, Rev. A. H. Zechiel was granted a certificate of dismission to the Dayton Presbytery, Presbyterian Church U. S. A.

The expenses are $2.35.

J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, MARCH 19, 1918.

The Executive Committee met in harmony with the following call:

LEXINGTON, N. C., March 5, 1918.

Dear Brother:—The Executive Committee of the Classis of North Carolina will meet at the home of Rev. D. C. Cox, Thomasville, March 19, 1918, at 10 o'clock a. m., to attend to the following items of business: 1. Request for change of place and time of the annual meeting of Classis from Emanuel Church, Lincolnton, to St. Paul's Church of the South Fork

Charge, R. F. D., Newton, Thursday, May 9, 1918, at 2 o'clock p. m: 2. Reception of Mr. Irvine Rea Michael as a student for the gospel ministry. 3. Election of Synod's nominees for Trustees of Catawba College. 4. Reports of any Committees on Installation of pastors. Please notify your elder.

By order of the President.

J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

The several items were disposed of in the following action:

1. The time and place of the annual meeting were changed in harmony with the request of Revs. W. H. McNairy and H. A. Fesperman, as named in the item.

2. Mr. Irvine Rea Michael was received, on recommendation of the Solliday Beneficiary Committee, as a student for the ministry.

3. The following persons, nominated by the Synod of the Potomac, were elected Trustees of Catawba College: D. M. Carpenter, J. W. Peeler, Dr. Clarence Clapp, C. M. Rowe, Revs. A. S. Weber, D. D., F. A. Rupley, W. W. Rowe.

4. The following reports were received and adopted:

Your committee appointed to install Rev. W. W. Rowe pastor of Corinth Reformed Church, Hickory, beg leave to report that the duty was attended to January 27, 1918, by the two undersigned members of the committee.

J. D. ANDREW,
J. C. PEELER.

Your committee appointed to install Rev. J. A. Palmer pastor of Heidelberg Reformed Church, Thomasville, attended to this duty March 15, 1918

D. C. COX,
R. E. LEINBACH,
G. E. PLOTT.

Your committee appointed to install Rev. R. E. Leinbach pastor of the First Church, High Point, beg leave to report that they attended to the duty on Sunday night, November 25, 1917, the undersigned two members of the committee being present

A. D. WOLFINGER,
J. C. LEONARD.

It was ordered that official notice be sent to the pastors and charges in regard to change of the time and place of the annual meeting of Classis.

The expenses of the meeting amounted to $2.85.

J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

EIGHTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSIONS

ACTS AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

CLASSIS OF NORTH CAROLINA

OF THE

Reformed Church in the United States

ARTICLE I.

OPENING OF CLASSIS.

The Classis of North Carolina, Synod of Potomac, Reformed Church in the United States, met in eighty-eighth annual sessions in St. Paul's Reformed Church of the South Fork Charge, R. F. D. 1, Newton, North Carolina, May 9, A. D. 1918, at 2 o'clock p. m. The opening sermon was preached by the retiring President, Rev. D. C. Cox, from Mark 6: 31, "Come ye yourselves apart into a desert place, and rest a while." The liturgical services were in charge of Revs. W. H. McNairy and R. E. Leinbach.

The Classis was formally constituted by the President, the Stated Clerk calling the roll of ministers and elders. There was a quorum present.

ARTICLE II.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

Ministers—P. Barringer, D. D., J. C. Leonard, D. D., J. M. L. Lyerly, Ph. D., J. H. Shuford, W. H. McNairy, J. H. Keller, D. E. Bowers, W. W. Rowe, Shuford Peeler, L. A. Peeler, A. S. Peeler, C. C. Wagoner, D. C. Cox, J. A. Koons, J. A. Palmer, J. C. Peeler, W. C. Lyerly, H. A. Welker, G.

E. Plott, H. A. Fesperman, A. D. Wolfinger, D. D., H. G. Kopenhaver, A. Klinger, R. E. Leinbach.

Elders — L. M. Brown, Faith Charge; J. P. Linn, West Rowan; J. L. C. Miller, Bear Creek; T. L. Finger, Lincoln; J. W. Cook, Gilead; E. A. Rothrock, First, Lexington; F. M. Holshouser, Faith, Salisbury; W. A. Beck, Lower Davidson; M. L. Sowers, Upper Davidson; J. W. Hedrick, First, High Point; Otis White, Burlington; K. L. Long, Heidelberg, Thomasville; Z. B. Morris, Emanuel; P. G. Cook, Trinity, Concord; J. T. Plott, First, Greensboro; A. A. Blackwelder, Zion's, Lenoir; G. D. Peeler, Rockwell.

The following members appeared at later sessions:

Friday Morning—Rev. J. D. Andrew and Elders M. C. Barnhart, First, Charlotte; E. A. Sink, Schlatter Memorial, Winston-Salem; R. H. Thomason, Corinth, Hickory; L. L. Nifong, Waughtown; J. F. Herman, Grace, Newton; G. L. Whitener, South Fork; G. Sigmon, Brookford; S. R. Warlick, Emanuel, Lincolnton.

Saturday Morning—Elders James Clapp, Guilford; L. P. Wilson, Catawba.

The following were accorded seats as advisory members:

Rev. F. A. Rupley, Zion's Classis, Potomac Synod; Rev. J. G. Rupp, East Pennsylvania Classis, Eastern Synod; Rev. J. M. Mullan, Maryland Classis, Potomac Synod; Rev. C. A. Hauser, D. D., German Philadelphia Classis, German Synod of the East.

Elders—G. H. Moose, C. Clapp, A. P. Whisenhunt, D. F. McGill, A. D. Haren, T. L. Hunsucker, G. E. Bullinger, C. C. Deal, J. B. Leonard, H. D. Warlick, P. E. Campbell, A. L. Shuford, G. D. Herman, D. Warlick, J. Warlick, J. E. Wilfong, L. S. Fulbright, A. M. Icard, S. Wilfong.

Divinity Students—J. Wade Huffman, of Virginia Classis; Felix B. Peck, Banks J. Peeler, Frank L. Fesperman.

The following ministers were absent: John Ingle, M. L. Hedrick, P. M. Trexler, D. D., H. E. Sechler, A. R. Holshou-

ser, M. D., A. Shulenberger, E. G. Williams, D. D., J. W. Bell, A. F. Nace, H. A. M. Holshouser, Ph. D., W. B. Werner.

The following ministers were absent without reporting to Classis: H. E. Sechler, A. R. Holshouser, M. D., A. Shulenberger, E. G. Williams, D. D.

The following charges were not represented by elders: Second, Lexington; Bethel, High Point; First, Albemarle; Mt. Bethel.

ROLL OF ELDERS.

Charges.	*Primarius.*	*Secundus.*
Corinth, Hickory	R. H. Thomason	J. C. Fry
Guilford	James Clapp	J. R. Jones
Faith	L. N. Brown	G. H. Pless
West Rowan	J. P. Linn	C. C. Deal
Bear Creek	L. J. Foil	J. L. C. Miller
South Fork	G. L. Whitener	Ardie Sigmon
Lincoln	T. L. Finger	C. E. Ramsaur
Grace, Newton	J. F. Herman	J. W. Hardister
Gilead	J. W. Cook	
First, Lexington	R. M. Hunter	E. A. Rothrock
Second, Lexington	M. P. Bain	G. W. Leonard
Faith, Salisbury	F. M. Holshouser	J. J. Correll
Lower Davidson	W. A. Beck	J A. Parks
Upper Davidson	M. L. Sowers	J. G. Berrier
First, High Point	J. W. Hedrick	John W. Hedrick
Bethel, High Point		
Heidelberg, Thomasville	K. L. Long	W. S. Long
Emanuel	Z. B. Morris	J. W. Veach
Trinity, Concord	J. O. Moose	P. G. Cook
First, Greensboro	J. T. Plott	J. F. Troxler
Burlington	Otis White	H. W. Coble
Zion, Lenoir	J. P. Rabb	A. A. Blackwelder
Brookford	George Sigmon	Y. T. Warren
Catawba	L. P. Wilson	J. A. Propst
Waughtown	J. S. Long	L. L. Nifong
Rockwell	G. D. Peeler	C. B. Beck
First, Albemarle		
Emanuel, Lincolnton	S. R. Warlick	D A. Seagle
Winston-Salem	E. A. Sink	
First, Charlotte	M. C. Barnhart	C. H. A. Rupp
Mount Bethel		

ARTICLE III.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The following were elected officers for the ensuing Clasical year: Rev. J. H. Keller, China Grove, N. C., President; Rev. A. S. Peeler, Lenoir, N. C., Vice President; Rev. Shuford Peeler, Charlotte, N. C., Corrsponding Secretary; Rev. G. E. Plott, Winston-Salem, N. C., Reading Clerk; Rev. D. E. Bowers, Winston-Salem, N. C., Treasurer; Rev. J. C. Leonard, D. D., Lexington, N. C., continues Stated Clerk.

ARTICLE IV.

PERMANENT COMMITTEES.

1. *Executive Committee*—Revs. J. H. Keller, J. C. Leonard and Elder E. A. Rothrock.

2. *Sunday Schools*—Revs. W. C. Lyerly, H. A. Fesperman and Elder K. L. Long.

3. *Missionary and Stewardship*—Revs. L. A. Peeler, three years; Rev. R. E. Leinbach, two years; Rev. H. A. Welker, one year.

4. *Mrs. Rebecca Solliday Church-building Fund*—Elder J. B. Leonard, three years: Rev. J. M. L. Lyerly, two years; Rev. H. A. Fesperman, one year.

5. *George G. Solliday Beneficiary Education Fund*—Revs. A. D. Wolfinger, W. W. Rowe, J. D. Andrew.

6. *Trustees of Classis*—Rev. W. W. Rowe, Mr. T. L. Hunsucker, Mr. J. A. Propst.

ARTICLE V.

RULES OF ORDER.

The Rules of Order adopted by the General Synod were observed in the sessions of Classis. The President defined the Bar of the House to be the first five rows of pews in front of the chancel. The following hours were fixed for opening and closing: Meet at 9.30 o'clock a. m. and adjourn at 5 p. m., with a recess from 12 noon to 1.30 p. m.

ARTICLE VI.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The President announced the following Standing Committees:

1. *Religious Services*—Revs. H. A. Fesperman, L. A. Peeler, Elder L. M. Brown.

2. *Minutes of Classis*—Revs. J. C. Leonard, J. A. Palmer, Elder T. L. Finger.

3. *Minutes of Potomac Synod*—Revs. W. C. Lyerly, G. E. Plott, Elder F. M. Holshouser.

4. *Overtures*—Revs. A. S. Peeler, R. E. Leinbach, Elder Z. B. Morris.

5. *Missions*—Revs. P. Barringer, Shuford Peeler, Elder A. A. Blackwelder.

6. *Benevolent Institutions*—Revs. L. A. Peeler, J. H. Shuford, Elder Otis White.

7. *Education*—Revs. C. C. Wagoner, A. Klinger, Elder G. D. Peeler.

8. *State of the Church*—Revs. D. C. Cox, H. A. Welker, Elder J. T. Plott.

9. *Nominations*—Revs. H. G. Kopenhaver, J. M. L. Lyerly, Elder P. G. Cook.

10. *Finance*—Revs. D. E. Bowers, W. H. McNairy, Elder J. P. Linn.

11. *Examination and Licensure*—Revs. J. H. Shuford, D. C. Cox, Elder M. L. Sowers.

12. *Young People's Societies*—Revs. J. A. Palmer, J. A. Koons, Elder J. L. C. Miller.

13. *Press*—Revs. W. W. Rowe, H. A. Fesperman, Elder K. L. Long.

14. *Leave of Absence*—Revs. R. E. Leinbach, H. G. Kopenhaver, Elder J. W. Hedrick.

15. *Minutes of General Synod*—Revs. W. H. McNairy, P. Barringer, Elder L. M. Brown.

16. *Necrology*—Revs. W. W. Rowe, H. A. Welker, Elder E. A. Rothrock.

ARTICLE VII.

COMMUNICATIONS.

1. Copies of the Minutes of Classis and of the Synod of the Potomac were referred to the committees on these subjects.

2. The Treasurer's report was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

3. The report of the Trustees of Catawba College was read and referred to the Committee on Education.

4. Reports from the Boards of Missions were referred to the Committee on Missions.

5. Reports of the Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home, the Relief Societies and the Sunday School Board were read and referred to the proper committees.

6. Other communications were received and referred to the Committee on Overtures.

ARTICLE VIII.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

The sessions of each day were opened and closed with devotional services. The Standing Committee on this subject presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Religious Services beg leave to make the following report:

Thursday afternoon, May 9, 2 p. m.: Opening sermon, Rev. D. C. Cox. Organization of Classis. 8.30 p. m., address, Rev. Conrad A. Hauser, D. D.; address, Rev. A. D. Wolfinger, D. D.

Friday night, May 10, 8.30 p. m., address on Foreign Missions, Rev. J. G. Rupp.

Saturday, May 11, 8.30 p, m.: Patriotic and Inspirational Night; address by Rev. J. H. Keller.

Sunday, May 12, 9.30 a. m.: Address on Sunday School, by Rev. W. C. Lyerly. Address, "Teacher Training in the Sunday School," Rev. J. A. Koons. 11.00 a. m., sermon, Rev. J. H. Keller. Holy Communion. 2.00 p. m., program in charge of Missionary and Stewardship Committee, Rev. A. D. Wolfinger, D. D., Chairman. 8.30 p. m., sermon, Rev. H. A. Welker.

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. FESPERMAN,
L. A. PEELER,
L. N. BROWN.

ARTICLE IX.

READING OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

The roll was called and all the ministers of Classis presented reports except Revs. H. E. Sechler, A. R. Holshouser, A. Shulenberger and E. G. Williams. The constitutional questions were asked, and the elders gave satisfactory answers. The reports were referred to the Committee on the State of the Church.

ARTICLE X.

MINUTES OF CLASSIS.

The committee presented the following report, which was acted upon item by item and finally adopted as a whole as indicated:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on the Minutes of Classis beg leave to present the following report:

1. Page 12. Permanent Committees.

a. Executive Committee.

b. Committee on Sunday Schools.

c. Missionary and Stewardship.

d. Mrs. Rebecca Solliday Church-building Fund.

e. George G. Solliday Beneficiary Education Fund.

f. Trustees of Classis.

2. Page 21. The Lower Davidson Charge was committed to the care of Rev. J. M. L. Lyerly.

3. Page 22. Rev. J. A. Palmer was appointed Superintendent of Young People's Work.

4. Page 22. Mt. Bethel Church was placed in the care of the Trustees of Classis.

5. Page 22. The Beneficiary Education Committee was instructed to collect from Mr. C. E. Fogelman the money advanced to him as a student for the ministry.

6. Page 23. The Spencer interest was referred to Rev. C. C. Wagoner.

7. Page 24. The Kannapolis interest was committed to the care of Rev. J. H. Keller and the pastors of the Concord and Gilead Charges.

8. Page 25. Rev. J. A. Koons was appointed Superintendent of Teacher Training.

9. Page 25. The Committee on Schools, Colleges and Seminaries was continued.

10. Page 25. The Lincoln Charge was committed to the care of Rev. J. D. Andrew.

11. Page 26. Hopewell Church, Forsyth county, was committed to the care of Rev. H. A. M. Holshouser.

12. Page 27. The Second Church of Lexington was continued in the care of Rev. J. C. Leonard.

13. Page 28. The Church at Brookford was continued in the care of Rev. J. L. Murphy.

14. Page 33. An editorial staff of the *Reformed Church Standard* was elected.

15. Page 50. Rev. D. E. Bowers was appointed to supervise the theological studies of Mr. B. R. Crowder.

16. Page 53. The Gilead Charge was committed to the care of Revs. Shuford Peeler, W. C. Lyerly and H. A. Welker.

17. Page 32. The sum of $200 was granted the Catawba Charge for pastoral sustentation on condition that the apportionment be paid in full, and a like sum to Trinity Church, Concord, with the added condition that a regular pastor be secured.

Special. Revs. D. E. Bowers, J. A. Palmer and G. E. Plott were appointed a Committee of Supply for Schlatter Memorial Church, Winston-Salem.

Special. Revs. R. E. Leinbach, D. C. Cox and J. A. Palmer were appointed a Committee of Supply for Bethel Church, High Point.

Special. Revs. D. C. Cox, J. A. Palmer and J. C. Leonard were appointed a Committee of Supply for Heidelberg Church, Thomasville.

Special. Revs. D. E. Bowers, D. C. Cox and J. A. Palmer were appointed to install Rev. G. E. Plott pastor of Schlatter Memorial Church, Winston-Salem.

Special. Revs. A. Klinger, A. D. Wolfinger and R. E. Leinbach were appointed a Committee of Supply for the Burlington Charge.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. LEONARD,
J. A. PALMER,
T. L. FINGER.

The following reports were received and adopted:

(*a*)

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

The Executive Committee of Classis beg leave to report that meetings were held during the year at such times as requested. We herewith submit the Minutes of said meetings. The Treasurer of Classis paid the expenses of the committee.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

The following were made the Executive Committee of Classis: President, Stated Clerk and Elder E. A. Rothrock.

(*b*)

The Committee on Sunday Schools presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Dear Brethren:—Your Committee on Sunday Schools beg leave to submit the following report. Reports have been received from all of the schools in the Classis. The reports show that the number of scholars enrolled is larger than that reported last year, though the average attendance is not as high; however higher standards of efficiency have been attained, as is shown in the number of organized classes and the number of schools using the graded literature.

A marked increase is reported in the contributions for all phases of Sunday School work, except the amount given for General Synod's work. This, perhaps, may be attributed to the special drive made last year in the interest of the Children's Endowment Fund. The attendance is not yet what it should be.

The Teacher Training work has been carried on with zeal again this year, and we trust that this important work will continue to grow.

We would submit the following recommendations for your consideration:

1. That all the schools be urged to use our Reformed literature.

2. That we urge all Superintendents to co-operate closely with the Sunday School Board and make your wants and needs known to them.

3. We urgently recommend that the Children's Day offering be made and sent to the Board.

4. That each school keep the Standard of Efficiency constantly before it that every forward movement may be a step in this direction. Respectfully submitted,

JOHN C. PEELER,
JOHN A. KOONS,
J. R. YOUNG.

The statistics will be found in the appendix.

The Committee on Sunday Schools for the next year consists of Revs. W. C. Lyerly, H. A. Fesperman and Elder K. L. Long.

(c)

The Missionary and Stewardship Committee offered the following report, which was adopted:

The committee has had two meetings. The first meeting had to do with arranging of the general plan and program for the conferences in all the Churches. A commitee of three in each division was appointed to conduct the conference in their respective division. Nearly all the Churches in the Classis were reached by a number of speakers, and the results reported as most helpful. The other meeting was called to consider plans to secure the full payment of the apportionment. The meeting was attended by Mr. J. S. Wise, Treasurer of the Home Mission Board. The committee arranged to have Mr. Wise visit as many of the Churches as was possible.

The Chairman addressed two letters at different times to the pastors urging the payment of the apportionment. This report includes the work of the Committee on Summer Conferences. For the splendid voluntary services of Mr. Wise the committee would record its hearty appreciation.

The committee would make special mention of the number of charges that have paid the apportionment in full, and in this connection would express the hope of having some pro-

gram of education, bearing upon the subject continued in the Classis.

A bill of $4.70 is due the committee.

Respectfully submitted,

A. D. WOLFINGER,
J. C. PEELER,
JNO. A. KOONS,
A. A. BLACKWELDER,
J. A. PALMER.

The Treasurer was ordered to pay the bill of expense.

The following constitute the Missionary and Stewardship Committee: Revs. L. A. Peeler, R. E. Leinbach and H. A. Welker.

(*d*)

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

The Mrs. Rebecca Solliday Church-building Fund Committee met on July 5, 1917, and considered an application from the Charlotte Mission for $750. The committee took favorable action on the request and ordered the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of the College to execute the loan. This order was carried out by the Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. ROWE,
J. M. L. LYERLY,
H. A. FESPERMAN.

The committee for the coming year consists of Elder J. B. Leonard, Revs. J. M. L. Lyerly and H. A. Fesperman.

(e)

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on the Solliday Beneficiary Fund beg leave to report that during the past year the following young men have each received the sum of $100: Students S. A. Troxell, G. A. Ingle, Sterling Whitener, A. C. Peeler, F. L. Fesperman, B. J. Peeler, Felix B. Peck, O. Bain Michael, Rea Michael and Elmer R. Everhardt. Student A. R. Tosh received $50.

He has finished the fall term of the Senior class of the Seminary at Lancaster, Pa., but now is engaged in Y. M. C. A. work in Italy. Student Troxell has completed the Middle class of the same institution. Students Whitener, A. C. Peeler, F. L. Fesperman and Ingle have completed the Middle year at the Central Theological Seminary. Students B. J. Peeler, Peck and O. Bain Michael have completed the Junior year at Catawba College. In the same institution Student Everhardt has completed the Freshman year and Rea Michael the fourth year Preparatory.

In addition to the above, Mr. J. T. Fesperman during the past year has been engaged in Y. M. C. A. work and as a result has not been in College.

Student Jacob N. Lyerly has also completed the Middle year at the Central Seminary, but he does not receive aid from this fund.

Your committee would also report that it is of the opinion that Rev. Clarence Woods, of Virginia Classis, and Rev. John M. Peck, of the Philadelphia Classis, are not fulfilling the conditions as required in the stipulations of this fund. Your committee require further instruction in regard to their cases.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. ROWE,
J. D. ANDREW.

The committee was instructed to comply with the terms of the trust fund.

This committee for the next year consists of Revs. A. D. Wolfinger, W. W. Rowe and J. D. Andrew.

(f)

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Trustees desire to present the following report:

We have sold the saw-mill timber on the five and one-quarter acres of land of the St. Peter's Church property, from which we realized $160.25. We ask instructions for the disposition of this money.

With sorrow we report the death of Rev. J. L. Murphy, D. D., the Chairman of the Trustees.

Respectfully submitted,

T. L. HUNSUCKER,
J. A. PROPST.

The Trustees were instructed to reimburse the Treasurer of Classis for all expenses incurred in the management of the St. Peter's property, and to invest the remainder as a permanent fund of the Classis.

The following were elected Trustees of Classis: Revs. W. W. Rowe, Messrs. T. L. Hunsucker and J. A. Propst.

2. The parochial report was read.

3. The following report was received and adopted:

To the North Carolina Classis:

As Superintendent of Young People's Societies I beg leave to report that during the year I had the pleasure of making a public address in one of our Churches in the interest of the Christian Endeavor work. I have been invited to visit one or more of the other C. E. Societies of our Classis, but so far have not gone.

At the State C. E. Convention in High Point last summer I was appointed Chairman of a committee to urge the C. E. workers of our denomination in this state to contribute as much as $100 during the year to the Mission work of our Church. In this capacity I sent reply postals to all our C. E. Societies, and as a result got pledges to the amount of $40.25. According to the report of the Treasurer of Classis, $21.25 has been paid. This money goes to our Mission Church in Omaha, Neb. This is not as much as we had hoped to contribute, but during the coming year we hope to give more. I dare say this is more than we had contributed in one year before, and perhaps it is the first for our Church in Omaha.

Would it not be well for our ministers, and especially our country pastors, to do more toward getting our young people

lined up in this great work of Christian Endeavor? Splendid things can be done in the rural Churches. It has been tried.

Let us hope that next year will be a better year in this great work than even the past one. Will each pastor not try to utilize more of this great reserve force in our young people? This is our earnest hope.

Humbly submitted,

J. A. PALMER.

Rev. J. A. Palmer was continued in this work.

4. There was no report submitted to Classis. Mt. Bethel Church was committed to the care of the Trustees of Classis.

5. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee would report that Mr. C. E. Fogelman has paid nothing during the past year on his account with this fund. The committee has been unable recently to get in touch with him, but we ask your body to continue its instructions so that we may bring this matter to a close at once.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. ROWE,
J. D. ANDREW.

The instructions were continued.

6. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis:

Your Committee on the Spencer Mission beg leave to report that conditions did not require the holding of services this year. There being no Reformed material out of which to form an organization, the Board of Home Missions has decided to dispose of the property.

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. WAGONER.

7. The following report was received and adopted:

To the North Carolina Classis:

Your committee appointed to look after our interest at Kannapolis desires to report that we performed that duty unsatisfactorily owing to the stress of other work.

We have about 17 Reformed families here, and they have pledged $26.50 per month on the pastor's salary. We urge Classis to make some arrangement by which a definite work may be begun here. The committee at Zion join in this request.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. KELLER.

The interest at Kannapolis was referred to the Committee on Missions.

8. The following report was received and adopted:

Your Superintendent of Teacher Training begs leave to report that last October he wrote each Sunday School superintendent in the Classis setting forth the advantage and necessity of training teachers in our Sunday Schools. Whenever the opportunity came, the matter was presented in person. During the past year four schools have had Teacher Training Classes and several others have had members in the city training schools. Since last we met three classes have completed the first Regular Standard Course.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. KOONS.

Rev. J. A. Koons was continued in this work.

9. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Schools, Colleges and Seminaries beg leave to present the following statement: We have received the sum of $186.12 and have paid out $139.06. There is a balance on hand of $47.06. We suggest that the balance be turned into the treasury of the College.

Respectfully submitted,

A. D. WOLFINGER, *Chairman.*

This committee was continued, with President A. D. Wolfinger as Chairman.

10. The parochial report was read. The Lincoln Charge was committed to the care of Revs. H. G. Kopenhaver, W. H. McNairy and H. A. Fesperman.

11. There was no report. This interest was entrusted to Rev. G. E. Plott.

12. The parochial report was read. The Second Church was committed to the care of Rev. J. C. Leonard.

13. The parochial report was read. The Brookford Church was committed to Rev. W. W. Rowe.

14. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

As Business Manager of the *Reformed Church Standard* I beg leave to make the following report: We issued the *Standard* twice each month since last Classis. The untimely death of the chief editor was quite a blow to the paper. After consulting the editors, I secured the services of Brother W. W. Rowe, who has done the work faithfully.

Financial Statement.

Money Received—	
Borrowed from Treasurer of Classis	$ 25 00
Collected on Subscriptions	277 36
Collected on Advertisements	20 90
Total	$323 26
Paid Out—	
For Printing and Mailing	$298 00
For Postage on Paper	9 20
For General Expense	15 04
Total	$322 24
Balance on hand	1 02
Owe the Treasurer of Classis	25 00

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. MCNAIRY.

Nominations for a Board of Management for the *Reformed Church Standard* were referred to the Committee on Nominations.

15. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee begs leave to report that Mr. Crowder declined to take a course of instruction, and that he has been dismissed to another denomination. D. E. BOWERS.

16. The following report was received and adopted:

Your committee having the care of the Gilead Charge entrusted to us, report that services were conducted in the Churches several times during the year, and also held communion services. Respectfully submitted,

SHUFORD PEELER.
W. C. LYERLY,
H. A. WELKER.

17. The Catawba Charge met the conditions, and the money was paid.

18. The following report was received and adopted:

Your Committee of Supply for Schlatter Memorial Church beg leave to report that Bro. Palmer occasionally supplied the Church until a pastor was secured.

D. E. BOWERS,
J. A. PALMER.

19. The following report was received and adopted:

Your Committee of Supply for Bethel Church, High Point, beg leave to report that working in co-operation with the local committee it was able to regularly supply the pulpit and partially care for the pastoral work.

Respectfully submitted,

R. E. LEINBACH,
D. C. COX,
J. A. PALMER.

20. The following report was received and adopted:

Your committee appointed to supply Thomasville in the absence of a pastor, report that services were held each Sunday night until a pastor was secured, except a few that were very cold. Resqectfully submitted,

D. C. COX,
J. C. LEONARD,
J. A. PALMER.

21. The following report was received and adopted:

The committee to install Rev. G. E. Plott pastor of Schlatter Memorial Church beg leave to report the duty attended to on the third Sunday in December, 1917, two members of the committee participating in the service.

D. E. BOWERS,
J. A. PALMER.

22. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

We beg leave to report that we have attended to the duties assigned. Respectfully submitted,

A. KLINGER, *Chairman*.

ARTICLE XI.

OVERTURES.

The following report was received, considered by items and finally adopted as a whole:

The Committee on Overtures beg leave to report on the following items submitted to us:

1. Resignation of Rev. J. C. Peeler as pastor of Catawba Charge. We recommend that the pastoral relation be dissolved.

2. Request for sustentation by the Catawba Charge. This should go to the Committee on Missions.

3. Call to Rev. J. C. Peeler from the Lower Davidson Charge. We recommend that the call be confirmed.

4. A request for reconstruction of the Burlington Charge making the Church in Burlington a separate and independent charge; place the St. Mark's and Fairview congregations in the Guilford Charge, and that the Board of Home Missions be overtured to enroll the said charge and make an appropriation of $400 toward pastoral support.

5. Resignation of Rev. L. A. Peeler as pastor of First Church, Albemarle. The request should be granted.

6. Request for the dissolution of the First Church, Albemarle.

(a) That Rev. L. A. Peeler be appointed Trustee.

(b) That the Church property be disposed of to the best advantage.

(c) That the members be dismissed to the Church of their choice.

We recommend the granting of their request.

7. Call to Rev. L. A. Peeler from Grace Church, Newton. The papers are in order, and request should be granted.

8. Request from the National Service Commission that a committee be appointed to carry on the work in the Classical bounds, and that the work be commended and supported by our people.

9. A request from the W. M. S. of Classis that a committee be appointed to confer with a similar committee from their society relative to holding a Summer Conference in this Classis this year. We grant the request and appoint the committee.

10. Request from the Committee on Evangelism (see circular). We recommend the acceptance of the request.

11. Invitation from Corinth Reformed Church, Hickory, N. C., to hold our next annual meeting there in connection with the 50th anniversary of said Church. We request the acceptance of invitation.

12. Notice of reception of Rev. A. H. Zechiel by the Dayton Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church U. S. A. The item should be adopted.

13. Overture for a memorial service to be held in Bethany Church, Upper Davidson Charge, in honor of Dr. J. L. Murphy on the fifth Sunday in June, 1918. We recommend that the request be granted, and that a committee be appointed for this purpose.

14. Request from Schlatter Memorial Church, Winston-Salem, that they be relieved from paying interest on money loaned by Classis, and also an appeal for $500 additional towards the completion of the church building. This should be referred to the Committee on Missions.

15. Resignation of Rev. J. H. Keller as pastor of the West Rowan Charge. We recommend that the request be granted to take effect August 1.

16. Request from Reformed people living in Landis.

(a) To make Landis a Mission point, and that it be a part of the West Rowan Charge.

(b) Request that Classis donate $2000 towards the erection of a church at Landis. This should go to the Committee on Missions.

17. Resignation of Rev. W. C. Lyerly as pastor of Bear Creek Charge. We recommend the request be granted.

18. Request from Trinity, Concord, to receive the Gilead Charge into the pastoral care of the Concord Charge, to be supplied by the pastor of Trinity, Concord. We suggest the request be granted.

19. Request from Gilead Charge to be included in the pastoral care of the Concord Charge. We would grant the request.

20. Call from Trinity, Concord, to Rev. W. C. Lyerly. Also a request from the Gilead Charge that they be supplied by the pastor of Trinity, Concord, for whose services they agree to

pay a stipulated sum in regular installments. The call should be confirmed and the request granted.

21. A request from the joint consistory of the Bear Creek Charge that the *Reformed Church Standard* be sent to all families of Classis. This should go to a special committee.

22. Call from the Upper Davidson Charge to Rev. J. D. Andrew. We recommend that the call be confirmed.

23. Reports from ministerial students.

Reports from Students Felix B. Peck, Banks J. Peeler, Elmer R. Everhardt, O. B. Michael, I. R. Michael, students for the ministry in Catawba College; S. A. Troxell at Lancaster, Pa., and G. A. Ingle, Frank Fesperman, A. C. Peeler, Sterling Whitener and Jacob N. Lyerly at Central Seminary, indicate progress in work and express appreciation for assistance given. We express our satisfaction by recommending the adoption of the item.

24. Overtures from the Board of Trustees of Catawba College.

(a) That the Board of Home Missions be overtured at its next annual meeting in July to appropriate $1200 to establish a Professorship of Missions in Catawba College.

(b) The Board of Trustees, having appointed Dr. J. C. Leonard to represent its interests before the Board of Missions, asks the Classis to unite with it in this overture, thereby increasing its force. We recommend the granting of the Board's request and unite with it in presenting its overture.

25. A request from the Lincoln Charge that a Committee of Supply be appointed for said charge. We recommend the granting of the request.

26. Resignation of Rev. A. D. Wolfinger as pastor of the First Reformed Church, Greensboro. We recommend that the

pastoral relationship be dissolved and the charge declared vacant after May 31. Respectfully submitted,

A. S. PEELER,
R. E. LEINBACH,
Z. B. MORRIS.

In Item 3 Revs. J. C. Leonard, J. M. L. Lyerly and J. D. Andrew were appointed to install Rev. J. C. Peeler pastor of the Lower Davidson Charge.

In Item 6 of this report Rev. L. A. Peeler and Elders J. W. Peeler and J. L. C. Miller were appointed to act for the Classis in carrying out the instructions.

In Item 7 Revs. H. G. Kopenhaver, A. D. Wolfinger and Elder A. A. Blackwelder were appointed to install Rev. L. A. Peeler pastor of Grace Church, Newton.

In Item 8 Revs. J. A. Koons, W. W. Rowe and J. C. Peeler were appointed a committee to co-operate with the National Service Commission.

The committee called for in Item 9 on Summer Conference consists of Rev. L. A. Peeler and Elders A. L. Shuford and A. A. Blackwelder.

In Item 13 Revs. J. D. Andrew, J. A. Palmer and Elder J. P. Long were appointed to arrange a service in memory of Rev. J. L. Murphy, D. D., at Bethany Church in Davidson county, the home of this deceased minister.

In Item 20 Revs. P. Barringer, Shuford Peeler and J. H. Keller were appointed to install Rev. W. C. Lyerly pastor of Trinity Church, Concord. In the same connection the Gilead Charge was committed to the care of Rev. W. C. Lyerly.

Item 21 was referred to the following special committee: Revs. A. D. Wolfinger, W. C. Lyerly and Elder J. P. Linn. This committee subsequently submitted the following report, which was adopted:

Your special committee on the *Reformed Church Standard* wish to recommend:

1. That the *Reformed Church Standard* be published and distributed among all the families of the Classis.

2. That the Classis asume the sum of $650 and refer the same to the Committee on Finance for apportionment for the publication of the paper.

3. That nominations for the editorial staff be referred to the Comittee on Nominations.

4. That the individual subscription price remain at 50 cts.

A. D. WOLFINGER,
W. C. LYERLY,
J. P. LINN.

In Item 22 Revs. J. C. Leonard, D. C. Cox and J. A. Palmer were appointed to install Rev. J. D. Andrew pastor of the Upper Davidson Charge.

In Item 23 Student Tosh was excused from reporting to Classis on account of being connected with army Y. M. C. A. work in France.

In Item 24 Rev. J. C. Leonard was appointed to present in person to the Board of Home Missions the overture of the Trustees of Catawba College for assistance for this institution.

In Item 25 Revs. H. G. Kopenhaver, W. H. McNairy and H. A. Fesperman were appointed a Committee of Supply for the Lincoln Charge.

ARTICLE XII.

DELEGATES TO POTOMAC SYNOD.

All ministers and the elder from each pastoral charge constitute the delegates to the Synod of the Potomac, which meets in general convention.

ARTICLE XIII.

MINUTES OF POTOMAC SYNOD.

The following is the report of the Committee on the Minutes of Synod. It was considered by items and finally adopted as a whole:

Your Committee on Minutes of Synod beg leave to make the following report:

1. Page 5. Attendance at Synod.

The members of the Classis of North Carolina who attended Synod at Hagerstown, Md., Oct. 22-26, 1917, are: Revs. J. C. Leonard, J. D. Andrew, W. W. Rowe, A. S. Peeler, J. A. Koons, W. C. Lyerly, G. E. Plott and Elder A. A. Blackwelder.

2. Pages 32-76. Education.

The several educational institutions of the Synod are commended to the people for financial and moral support. The young people are to be earnestly solicited to fill up the gaps made by the call to war. Earnest prayer, solicitation and challenges should largely increase the number of students for the Christian ministry.

The Board of Education respectfully asks the Classes through the Synod to see that the funds for education are treated as are the contingent funds.

The Association of Schools, Colleges and Seminaries urges the Classes and people to promote higher education.

3. Pages 76-87. Missions.

The work of Home and Foreign Missions in all of the departments of the Boards is commended to the prayerful support of the people. The Synod commends the Progressive Project of the Synod of the Interior, the Three Year Plan of Evangelism, the Summer Missionary Conference and the *Outlook of Missions* for the Board of Home Missions. Special study and prayer for the fields in Japan and China, the organization of Mission Study Classes is earnestly asked for.

4. Pages 87-88. Missionary and Stewardship.

Synod urges through the Classes the appointment of Classical and Congregational Committees on Missionary and Stewardship to carry out the program of Conferences, Every-Member Canvass, Christian Stewardship, till we attain the goal " as much for others as for ourselves."

5. Pages 88-96. Publication and Sunday School.

Synod urges through the Classes the promotion of a vigorous campaign for religious education through better Sunday Schools, week-day religious instruction, Christian literature. Special attention is called to Teacher Training.

6. Pages 96-112. Benevolent Institutions.

The several benevolent institutions, Hoffman Orphanage, Nazareth Orphans' Home, the Phoebe Deaconess Home, the Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows and the Board of Ministerial Relief are commended to the people through the Classes.

The "Annuity Plan" of the Board of Ministerial Relief is found on pages 105-110. It has been adopted by General Synod. Synod urges her members to become members of the Annuity Plan.

7. Page 117. Finance.

Synod accepts and recommends to the Classes the apportionment of General Synod at Dayton in 1917: Home Missions, 80 cents; Foreign Missions, 80 cents; Ministerial Relief, 10 cents; General Synod Contingent, 4 cents per communicant member for the triennium, all to be paid the first year.

The following sums were referred to the Classis of North Carolina:

Potomac Synod Contingent	$132 00
Beneficiary Education	646 00
Theological Seminary	290 00
Synodical Indebtedness	337 00
Ministerial Sustentation	60 00

8. Page 118. Young People's Society.

The Young People's Societies are commended through the Classes as a Department.

9. Page 121. Salary of Ministers.

The Synod commissions the elders to inaugurate a movement to make $1000 the minimum salary for pastors.

10. Page 122. Patriotic Resolutions.

Classes, pastors and consistories are challenged to interpret the gospel and support the government in this time of war.

11. Page 123. Meeting of Synod.

The next annual meeting of the Synod of the Potomac convenes in Christ Reformed Church, Middletown, Md., Oct. 21, 1918, at 8 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. LYERLY,
G. E. PLOTT,
F. M. HOLSHOUSER.

ARTICLE XIV.

MISSIONS.

The following report was received, considered by items and then adopted as a whole:

The Committee on Missions wish to make the following report:

The following papers have come into our hands:

1. The Annual Statement of the Home Mission Board of the Reformed Church in U. S.

2. The Annual Statement of the Board of Foreign Missions.

3. A communication from the joint consistory of the Burlington Charge asking for reconstruction of charge.

4. An overture from Catawba Charge asking sustentation to the amount of $250 to supplement salary.

5. A petition from West Rowan Charge asking for permission to organize a Mission at Landis.

6. An overture from the Mission at Winston-Salem asking to be relieved from paying interest on borrowed money for erection of church building, and also asking an additional $500 to go towards completion of building.

In the report of the Board of Home Missions we note with regret that certain points within the Classis of North Caro-

lina have been referred back to the Classis for a better disposition of these points, viz.: Second, Lexington; Bethel, High Point, and Albemarle. Of the latter place disposition has already been made by the Classis. We recommend that Second Church, Lexington, be placed under the care of the pastor of the First Church, Lexington, and that Bethel, High Point, be placed under the care of the pastor of the First Church of High Point.

We note with regret that the Home Mission Board reports a deficit of $79,000, an increase over last year's deficit of $11,000. We recommend that Classis make a supreme effort to raise the entire apportionment for Home Missions sent down this year.

We heartily endorse the appeal of Evangelism to the Classis of North Carolina, and hope that each Church will endeavor to carry the slogan for the year, viz., "Join the Church. The Church needs you. You need the Church." Likewise we recommend the program for a local congregation, which can be had by appealing to the Board.

From the report of the Board of Foreign Missions we recommend that the deserving needs of the Board will meet with favorable consideration. We note with pleasure the appointment of two young men for the field in Japan and a request for two young men for China. We also are gratified at the progress of our fine school work, both in Japan and China. To carry forward our Missionary operations in these foreign fields requires sacrifices on our part. Therefore we are asked to pay to this worthy cause not less than 80 cents per member asked by Synod.

We recommend to the Classis the following:

We recommend that the reconstruction of the Burlington and Guilford Charges be referred to a commission with power to act and with instructions to attend to this matter before the meeting of the Board of Missions in July, in the hope that the said Board may be willing to enroll the Burlington Church as a Mission with an appropriation of at least $400.

With reference to the request of the Catawba Charge we recommend that a commission be appointed to co-operate with the officers of the Charge with the purpose of securing at least $4.00 per member for pastor's salary, and then ask Synod's Board of Sustentation for an amount to make the salary at least $1000. We also recommend that $250 be appropriated to this charge to be available if the above help is not secured.

We recommend that Rev. J. H. Keller be instructed to organize a congregation at Landis, and that Classis appropriate $1000 for the erection of the church, the Treasurer of Classis to borow money and the congregation to pay the interest.

As to the overture from Winston-Salem we recommend that in accordance with our established custom the Mission be asked to pay their interest and that we grant them the $500 asked for, and that the Treasurer of Classis be instructed to borrow the money and the Mission pay the interest.

In view of the fact that the Reformed people at Kannapolis desire the organization of a Church and have pledged $300 towards the salary, we recommend that a special committee be appointed to confer with the St. Paul's Congregation with reference to entering into this new charge if they so desire, and to arrange to secure the Synodical sustentation.

Respectfully submitted,

P. Barringer,
Shuford Peeler,
A. A. Blackwelder.

The commission on the Burlington and Guilford Charges consists of Rev. J. C. Leonard and Elders John W. Hedrick and J. T. Plott.

The commission appointed to co-operate with the officers of the Catawba Charge consists of Revs. A. D. Wolfinger, L. A. Peeler and Elder A. A. Blackwelder.

In the matter of the Kannapolis and St. Paul's Church combination the following committee was appointed: Revs. P. Barringer, W. C. Lyerly and Elder J. P. Linn.

ARTICLE XV.
NOMINATIONS.

The following is the report of the Committee on Nominations, which was adopted, all the nominees being elected:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Nominations beg leave to place the following in nomination:

1. Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home: L. M. Peeler, J. W. Peeler, J. T. Hedrick; to fill the unexpired term of Rev. J. L. Murphy, J. T. Plott.

2. Mrs. Rebecca Solliday Church-building Fund: J. B. Leonard.

3. Treasurer of Classis: Rev. D. E. Bowers.

4. Missionary and Stewardship Committee: Rev. L. A. Peeler, three years; Rev. R. E. Leinbach, two years; Rev. H. A. Welker, one year.

5. Staff of the *Standard*: Rev. W. W. Rowe, Editor-in-chief; District Editors: Revs. H. A. Fesperman, W. C. Lyerly, G. E. Plott. Institutional Editors: 1. President of Catawba College; 2. Superintendent of Nazareth Orphans' Home. Business Manager: Rev. W. H. McNairy.

Respectfully submitted,

H. G. KOPENHAVER,
J. M. L. LYERLY,
P. G. COOK.

ARTICLE XVI.
STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Dear Fathers and Brethren:—The parochial reports placed in our hands in the first part acknowledge the blessing and leading of our heavenly Father during the past year. That the gospel has been regularly preached to increasing and at-

tentive congregations, resulting in many additions. We discover that a number of our congregations have revised their lists of membership and have erased a large number of names, as may be seen by referring to the statistics in the appendix. The reason given for this action, the continued neglect for revising the roll until they were crowded with names, some of whom have died, others who have moved away or have lost interest. This action perhaps is right, but gives us great sorrow.

We would remind the brethren that the revision of the membership list, especially the erasure of names, is according to the Constitution a three years' process. We believe that a good percentage of this apparently dead wood material can be revived, renewed and reclaimed for the Church. We therefore beg the brethren to go slow along this line.

We are much gratified with the manifest increased spirit of benevolence, also that the salaries of many men have been raised.

We have noticed the call of our Father in heaven to many of our members to lay down their life's work and report their successes and failures.

We greatly feel the loss of Brother J. L. Murphy, whose leadership and presence and manifest spiritual power will continue to be felt by us.

Mention is made of the growing tendency to sport and neglect to that extent the spiritual life and work which is God's plan for us.

While the clouds of war and sorrow are still around and over us, and with the fact that many of our boys have been and will be called to the colors, we feel that this should be a time of deep heart-searching and renewed consecration to the will and work of our dear Lord and Master.

Respectfully submitted,

D. C. COX,
H. A. WELKER,
J. T. PLOTT.

The statistics will be found in the appendix.

ARTICLE XVII.

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING.

Corinth Reformed Church, Hickory, N. C., was selected as the place of the next annual meeting of the Classis of North Carolina and Monday evening, May 5, A. D. 1919, at 8 o'clock as the time.

ARTICLE XVIII.

EDUCATION.

Report of the President of Catawba College.

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

We herewith present to your reverend body our fifth and final report as President of Catawba College.

First of all we desire to express to our heavenly Father the fullest thanks for the kind providence which has kept us in such excellent health not only during the past year, but during the five years of our administration. In this time we have missed only one chapel service on account of illness.

Secondly, we desire to express our thanks to the members of Classis and friends everywhere who have aided in the work in these last five years.

The past year has had its joys and sorrows. One of the great sorrows of the year was the death of Rev. J. L. Murphy, D. D., one of our Trustees, which occurred in Hickory, N. C., Oct. 11, 1917. Our faculty and students joined in mourning for him.

We experienced great difficulty in securing a faculty for the year. But finally we carried on the work with the following in charge: President, J. D. Andrew, A. M.; English, Greek, German and French, Rev. W. W. Rowe, A. M.; Latin and Mathematics, Prof. A. P. Whisenhunt, A. M.; Science, Rev. J. C. Peeler, A. B.; History and Preparatory Dept., Prof. A. C. Sherrill, B. S.; Piano Forte and Voice, Miss Pauline Holstein; assistant in Piano Forte, Miss Myrtle Gross; Art,

Miss Grace Aldridge; Expression, Miss Mazie Schmidt; Business, Grover G. Rollins.

During the year Misses Gross and Holstein were married. Miss Gross to Mr. Mark Rowe and Miss Holstein to Lieut. John Boger.

One of the joys of the year was the action of Potomac Synod in giving us the payment of interest on the $17,000 endowment fund.

At Christmas Rev. Mr. Rowe and Prof. Rollins resigned. Rev. Mr. Rowe's place was filled by employing Rev. H. G. Kopenhaver. while Mr. Rollins' place was filled with Miss Dennice Yelton.

Mrs. Susan Grice was employed as matron, and has served very acceptably.

The following persons received diplomas and certificates at the close of the school year:

Diplomas: Elsie Lowrance Andrew, Leona Gwendolin Fleming, Claude Leroy Lutz.

Special Certificates: Music Department—Ruby Carpenter, Edith Sherrill. Expression—Glenna Lentz, J. Moore. Stenography—May Bowman, Elizabeth Brown, Earlee Cochran, Addie Moose, Mary Ramsour.

The collections for the year were good, and the closing exercises were most excellent.

In this our last annual report may we express the fond hope that in this transition period Catawba College is now entering into a larger and higher sphere of activity.

There appears to be now a united Church behind the College. May this be so in reality.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. Andrew.

Report of the Treasurer of Catawba College.

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

I beg to submit to your reverend body my report as given to the Board of Trustees:

To the Trustees of Catawba College I beg to submit this my annual report:

Receipts.

Cash on hand at last report, May, 1917	$ 18 97	
To Loan	351 79	
To North Carolina Classis	407 56	
To Interest Collected	1447 73	
To Association of Schools, Colleges and Seminaries	644 65	
To Sale of Coal	45 43	
To Rents	10 00	
To Donations	40 00	
To Cash Paid on Previous Account	877 15	
To Interest, Potomac Synod	2835 22	
To Book Account	204 02	
To Entrance Fees	130 00	
To General Account	2196 66	
To Tuition	4826 54	
		$14,035 72

Disbursements.

Interest Paid	$ 415 20	
Insurance	54 00	
Light and Water	231 13	
Rents	35 16	
Fuel	519 43	
Labor	202 32	
Postage, Printing	257 60	
Advertising and Traveling Expenses	53 88	
Provision Account on 1916-17	2097 67	
Provision Account on 1917-18	940 48	
Books and Magazines	284 81	
Freight, Express and Drayage	261 26	
Equipment and Repair Fund	139 54	
Teachers for 1916-17	1796 84	
Teachers for 1917-18	4188 66	
General Account not in any of above	2466 65	
Cash on hand	91 09	
		$14,035 72

Endowment Funds.

Solliday Fund		$20,000 00
General Endowment Fund		15,200 54
Alumni Endowment Fund		10,150 00
One Bond of the Town of Newton		500 00
11 Shares of Union Cotton Mill Stock of Maiden, N. C.		
Interest Collected on Solliday Fund as follows ($1073.81).		
To Amount Paid to Ministerial Students	$1050 00	
To Balance Due Treasurer at Last Report	13 26	
To Cash on Hand	10 55	
		$1073 81
The Rebecca Solliday Fund is as follows:		
Balance on Hand at Last Report	$743 62	
Interest Collected	52 75	
On Principal Albemarle Note	125 00	
		$921 37
Loan to Charlotte Mission		750 00
Balance in Hands of Treasurer		$171 37
E. Pontius Building Fund		$636 85

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. LEONARD, *Treasurer.*

The Committee on Education presented the following report, which was adopted:

Your Committee on Education would report that there were 108 students enrolled at Catawba College the last scholastic year. Twelve graduated in the several courses. The faculty was composed of ten instructors. Since the future of our Church in North Carolina is largely dependent upon the maintenance of this institution, and since the College must have greater support if it shall fulfill its mission amongst us, we would urge our people to give their hearty support to such efforts as shall be made to increase her efficiency. We also ask that members of our Church recommend the institution as the place in which our young people should take their training.

To emphasize the needs of the institution and to enlist the interest of our young people who will attend College this year, we further recommend the observance of the first Sun-

day in July as Catawba College Day, when all ministers as far as possible shall devote one service to the work of the College. We further suggest the appointment of a committee, of which the President of the College shall be Chairman, to arrange a uniform program for that day.

The committee desires to express its appreciation of the splendid services rendered the College by the retiring President, Rev. J. D. Andrew.

The interest in the cause of education which has been manifested by our Churches in the recent referendum and enthusiasm by the Classis in regular session leads the committee to believe that a brighter future is in store for the institution.

May all of our people hold up the hands of the President-elect, Rev. A. D. Wolfinger, D. D., and may the watchword be, "Advance all along the line."

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. WAGONER,
A. KLINGER,
GEO. D. PEELER.

ARTICLE XIX.

FINANCE.

Report of the Treasurer of Classis.

The Treasurer of Classis begs leave to submit the following annual report:

To the Members of the Classis of North Carolina:

Receipts.

SPECIAL OBJECTS.

Armenian Relief—		
First, Waughtown	$ 5 13	
Children's Endowment Fund—		
Ursinus Reformed S. S., Rockwell	$ 57 50	
Foreign Missions—Special—		
Balance	$ 66 84	
St. Paul's, West Rowan	6 03	
Mt. Zion, West Rowan	23 11	
First, High Point	4 25	
Total		$100 23

Home Missions Special—		
Loan for Charlotte	$2250 00	
First S. S., Waughtown, for Charlotte	3 92	
Mt. Hope, Guilford, for Albemarle	1 93	
Mt. Hope, Guilford, for Lincolnton	1 03	
Bear Creek C. E. Society	6 25	
Zion C. E. Society, Lenoir	4 00	
Bethel C. E. Society, High Point	5 00	
Pilgrim C. E. Society, Upper Davidson	6 00	
Trinity, Conover, Home Mission Day	22 32	
Total		$2301 35
Nazareth Orphans' Home		
Second S. S., Lexington	$ 21 78	
First S. S., Lexington	184 21	
Hebron, Waughtown	30 50	
Bethlehem, Waughtown	6 00	
First, Waughtown	6 68	
Zion, Emanuel Charge	5 48	
Grace, Newton	32 63	
Grace, South Fork	13 72	
St. Paul's, South Fork	9 63	
Emanuel, Emanuel Charge	6 00	
Mt. Hope, Guilford Charge	18 11	
Brick, Guilford Charge	3 20	
Lincolnton	6 49	
First, High Point	10 01	
Primary Department, S. S., 1st, High Point	5 00	
W. G. Hinkle, Thomasville	100 00	
G. W. Leonard, Lexington	15 00	
Total		$ 474 44
Sunday School—Special		
Lincolnton	$ 3 50	
Mt. Zion, West Rowan	10 35	
Total		$ 13 85

RECEIVED ON APPORTIONMENTS

	Contingent	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Potomac Synod Contingent	General Synod Contingent	Catawba College	Theological Seminary	Beneficiary Education
Balance in Treasury..	$980 96	$200 22	$86 25	$65 30	$42 00	$66 66	$48 25	$.....
Hickory	135 00	190 00	155 00	8 00	5 00	36 00	6 00	6 00
Guilford	70 00	35 00	27 00	5 00	3 00	.....	.....	.....
Faith	90 00	129 00	88 00	7 00	3 00	27 00	5 00	5 00
West Rowan	115 00	177 00	135 00	9 00	5 00	30 00	6 00	6 00
Bear Creek	100 00	141 00	243 00	7 00	4 00	30 00	5 00	5 00
South Fork	79 00	111 00	85 00	6 00	3 00	20 00	4 00	4 00
Lincoln	70 00	44 17	27 00	5 00	3 00	10 50	2 00	2 00
Newton	60 00	100 00	85 00	6 00	3 00	36 00	4 00	4 00
Gilead	28 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Salisbury	30 00	25 00	25 00	4 00	1 00	5 00	2 00	2 00
First, Lexington	150 00	200 00	145 00	9 00	5 00	37 00	7 00	7 00
Second, Lexington	20 00	33 00	21 00	2 00	1 00	5 00	1 00	1 00
Lower Davidson	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Upper Davidson	125 00	95 84	78 92	10 00	5 00	15 40	3 52	3 52
First, High Point	37 00	55 00	40 00	3 00	1 00	10 00	2 00	2 00
Bethel, High Point	20 00	.....	.....	20	.....	.....	.....	.....
Thomasville	31 00	63 00	38 00	2 00	2 00	10 00	2 00	2 00
Emanuel	80 00	10 00	.....	6 00	4 00		.....	.....
Concord	45 00	60 00	42 00	4 00	2 00	10 00	2 00	2 00
Greensboro	38 00	65 00	48 00	3 00	2 00	12 00	2 00	2 00
Burlington	27 07	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lenoir	20 00	32 00	20 00	3 00	1 00	7 00	2 00	2 00
Brookford	12 00	25 00	15 00	2 00	1 00	4 00	1 00	1 00
Catawba	50 00	61 00	45 00	3 00	2 00	12 00	2 00	2 00
Waughtown	52 00	65 00	55 00	4 00	2 00	15 00	3 00	3 00
Rockwell	65 00	57 50	50 00	5 00	3 00	10 00	.....	.....
Albemarle	2 00	6 00	3 00	2 00	1 00	2 00	1 00	1 00
Lincolnton	15 00	24 00	20 00	2 00	1 00	3 00	1 00	1 00
Winston-Salem	5 00	5 00	4 00	2 00	1 00	2 00	1 00	1 00
Charlotte	7 00	8 00	7 00	3 00	1 00	2 00	1 00	1 00
Interest	19 24	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Arrearages	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bethel, High Point	.....	.....	3 48	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....
Salisbury	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Loan for Ch'h Bldg.	500 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total	3088 27	2017 73	1591 65	187 50	107 00	417 56	114 77	65 52

DISBURSEMENTS.

Contingent Fund—		
Stated Clerk, Salary and Expenses	$ 63 27	
Treasurer, Salary and Expenses	29 25	
Rev. L. A. Peeler, Com. on Conf Board Trade	2 00	
Dr. Lyerly, for The Standard	150 00	
Rev. W. H. McNairy, Expense to General Synod	17 00	
Rev. D. E. Bowers, Expense to General Synod	15 50	
Rev. W. W. Rowe, Expense to General Synod	18 20	
Rev. Paul Barringer, Expense to General Synod	15 00	
Elder J. O. Moose, Expense to General Synod	17 00	
Loan to Standard	25 00	
Notes of Classis	1150 00	
Printing Minutes of Classls	150 25	
Ministerial Sustentation	35 00	
Faith, Salisbury, for Use of Church	5 00	
Rev. J. C. Peeler, Sustentation Fund	200 00	
Expenses of Ex. Com. of Classis	12 20	
Interest on Notes of Classis	73 14	
Synodical Indebtedness, 1915-16	135 00	
Synodical Indebtedness, 1917-18	81 00	
Express on Minutes of General Synod	5 41	
Rev. A. S. Peeler, Stewardship Committee	11 50	
Dr. Wolfinger, Committee on Conferences	3 50	
Express on Minutes of Potomac Synod	10 53	
Total		$2224 75
Armenian Relief—		
J. S. Wise, Treasurer	$ 5 13	
Children's Endowment Fund—		
Publication and S. S. Board	$ 57 50	
Foreign Missions—		
Dr. A. R. Bartholomew, Secretary	$1090 67	
Foreign Missions—Special -		
Dr. A. R. Bartholomew, Secretary	$ 100 23	
Home Missions -		
J. S. Wise, Treasurer.	$1210 33	
Home Missions—Special—		
J. S. Wise, Treasurer	$ 43 57	
Lincolnton Mission	1 93	
Albemarle	1 93	
Charlotte	2253 92	
Total	$2301 35	

Nazareth Orphans' Home—
Geo. H. Moose, Treasurer ..... $ 474 44

Sunday School - Special—
C. O. Althouse, Treasurer ..... $ 13 85

Potomac Synod Contingent—
C. M. Wolff, Treasurer ..... $ 141 00

General Synod Contingent -
C. M. Wolff, Treasurer ..... $ 75 00

Catawba College
J. B. Leonard, Treasurer ..... $ 407 56

Theologieal Seminary—
C. M. Wolff, Treasurer ..... $ 69 77

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

	Received.	*Paid Out.*	*Bal. in Treasury.*
Contingent Fund	$3088 27	$2224 75	$863 52
Home Missions	2017 73	1210 32	807 40
Home Missions - Special	2301 35	2301 35	
Foreign Missions	1591 65	1090 67	500 98
Foreign Missions—Special	100 23	100 23	
Potomac Synod Contingent	187 50	141 00	46 50
General Synod Contingent	107 00	75 00	32 00
Catawba College	417 56	407 56	10 00
Beneficiary Education	65 52		65 52
Theological Seminary	114 77	69 77	45 00
Armenian Relief	5 13	5 13	
Children's Endowment Fund	57 50	57 50	
Nazareth Orphans' Home	474 44	474 44	
Sunday School—Special	13 85	13 85	

INDEBTEDNESS OF CLASSIS.

Winston-Salem	$1225 00
Charlotte	3000 00
Total	$4225 00

Interest Due the Classis ..... $ 97 98

ARREARAGES.

Contingent—
Gilead, $17; Lower Davidson, $90; Burlington, $54.93.

Potomac Synod Contingent—
Gilead, $4; Lower Davidson, $6; Bethel, High Point, $1.80; Burlington, $7.

General Synod Contingent—
Gilead, $2; Lower Davidson, $3; Bethel, High Point, $1; Burlington, $4.

ARREARAGES, 1916–17.

Contingent Fund—
Gilead, $19; Emanuel, $14.40; Burlington, $80; Albemarle. $2; Mt. Bethel, $1; Winston-Salem, $3.

Potomac Synod Contingent—
Guilford, $5; Gilead, $3; Emanuel, $1.40; Burlington, $5; Albemarle, $1; Mt. Bethel, $1; Winston-Salem, $1.

General Synod Contingent—
Guilford, $3; Gilead, $2; Emanuel, $2; Burlington, $4; Albemarle, $1; Mt. Bethel, $1; Winston-Salem, $1.

ARREARAGES, 1915–16.

Contingent Fund—
Guilford, $15; Gilead, $5.85; Lower Davidson, $27.40: Emanuel, $38.42; Burlington, $61.20; Brookford, $12; Albemarle, $4; Mt, Bethel, $2.

Potomac Synod Contingent—
Gilead, $3; Lower Davidson, $5; Thomasville, $2; Emanuel, $6; Brookford, $1; Albemarle, $1; Mt. Bethel, $1.

General Synod Contingent—
Gilead, $2; Lower Davidson, $3; Thomasville, $2; Emanuel, $4; Burlington, $4; Brookford, $1; Albemarle, $1; Mt. Bethel, $1.

ARREARAGES, 1914–15.

Contingent Fund—
Salisbury, $12; Gilead, $18.87; Guilford, $1.29.

ARREARAGES, 1913–14.

Contingent Fund—
Gilead, $13.

Respectfully submitted,
D. E. BOWERS.

The Committee on Finance presented the following report, which was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

The Committee on Finance beg leave to submit the following report:

We have examined the Treasuere's report and find it correct.

The Classis affectionately and urgently calls the attention of the consistories to the fact that the Constitution requires

all congregations to pay the Contingent Funds in full, and we urge all in arrearages to comply therewith.

The following apportionments have been sent down by the Classis to the congregations:

Contingent Fund	41 cents per member.
Potomac Synod Contingent	2¼ cents per member.
General Synod Contingent	4 cents per member.
Home Missions	80 cents per member.
Foreign Missions	80 cents per member.
Catawba College	15 cents per member.
Beneficiary Education	11 cents per member.
Theological Seminary	½ cent per member.
Ministerial Relief	10 cents per member.

Respectfully submitted,

D. E. BOWERS,
W. H. MCNAIRY,
J. P. LINN.

ARTICLE XX.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Permanent Committee on Sunday Schools presented their report, which was received and adopted. It will be found under that item in the report on the Minutes of Classis. The statistics will be found in the appendix.

ARTICLE XXI.

BENEVOLENT INSTITUTIONS.

Report of the Board of Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home.

The Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home beg leave to submit the following report:

There are now 43 children in the Home—27 boys and 16 girls. Several children have come into the Home and have been permitted to be taken out owing to changing conditions. Two boys, by reason of running away and viciousness, have

been expelled. The children were greatly confused by a change of Superintendent and Matron, and several months were necessary to convince the children that they would be cared for and properly treated, and no little trouble has the management had in righting things made wrong. Everything has now settled down to normal, and a happier, healthier, heartier set of children could scarcely be found. Rev. and Mrs. Werner have had fearful odds to meet, but they have met them heroically, and we believe are finding the work congenial.

At no time during the present administration has it been necessary to call in the physician, owing to a kind heavenly Father and proper treatment on the part of those in charge.

Seven months of school were given the children, which would have been extended to eight but for a faulty flue, necessitating the construction of another, which was delayed several weeks during the very cold weather, by inability to secure a mason.

The farm has gone on as well as could be expected without the personal oversight of a farmer. The Superintendent and larger boys have done all that has been done. We note, however, from the Superintendent's report that the farm has realized more than hitherto for the Home. More has been received from it, and much less has been paid out.

The 11th anniversary was a grand success. Dr. J. L. Murphy, of blessed memory, delivered the address, which was enjoyed by a very large crowd.

The receipts were above the average, and the exercises and appearance of the children were better than formerly. Let us not forget the 12th anniversary on the first day of August, 1918.

The religious training of the children, by attending Church and Sunday School each Sunday, conducting a C. E. Society in which Scripture is memorized, catechetical instruction given the major part of the year, the general deportment, is

carefully looked after by the Superintendent and Matron, and such other attention as tends to develop the children morally.

Contributions by the Church and friends are increasing, and the past year has been one of the best in the receipts, both in money and supplies. In round numbers, $7131 was received, and besides this more than $1100 in general supplies came to the Home. One bequest came to the Home from Mrs. Hodges, of Baltimore, Md., amounting to $2025.

The amount paid out was $4368, leaving a balance to the credit of the institution of $2762. Of this amount $1918.75 has been passed to the endowment fund, leaving a balance of $824. The indebtedness is $1975, held as notes against the Home.

The attention of Classis is called to the expiration of the terms of office as Managers of the following persons: L. M. Peeler, J. T. Hedrick and J. W. Peeler; also the vacancy caused by the death of Rev. Dr. J. L. Murphy.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. L. LYERLY, *President.*

Report of Treasurer of Nazareth Orphans' Home.
For Year Ending May 1, 1918.

Balance May 1, 1917		$ 555 66
Receipts for Year		4656 89
The Laura P. Hoffman Hodges Legacy		1918 75
Total		$7131 30
Disbursements—		
Groceries	$ 944 62	
Merchandise and Hardware	384 42	
Blacksmithing	20 99	
Name Plates on Doors	32 50	
Drugs, Medical and Dental Work	40 00	
Oil and Gasoline	97 76	
Flour and Feed	994 79	
Interest	78 18	
Salary and Labor	1045 99	
Potatoes and Garden Seed	162 80	
Insurance	8 90	
Lime	127 80	
All Other Items not Named Above	429 77	
		$4368 52
Cash on Hand May 1		2762 78
		$7131 30

GEO. H. MOOSE, *Treasurer.*

Of the above balance $1918.75 belongs to the endowment fund.

The Committee on Benevolent Institutions presented the following report, which was received and adopted:

To the North Carolina Classis:

Your Committee on Benevolent Institutions beg leave to submit the following report:

To your committee were referred the following reports: (1) The report of the Board of Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home; (2) the report of the Board of Ministerial Relief; (3) the report of the Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows.

From these reports submitted to your committee we gather the following facts and record them for your consideration:

There are 43 children, 27 boys and 16 girls, in the Home. The health of the children was never better and their happiness never more manifest. Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Werner, who took charge of the Home June 1, have already manifested great efficiency in managing the affairs of the Home, and the same is in a most flourishing condition. The people of the Classis and elsewhere are rallying to the support of the institution in a most encouraging manner.

We note with pleasure the enlarging interest of the Reformed Church in the cause of Ministerial Relief as represented in the General Synod's Board of Ministerial Relief and in the Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows. On the basis of the facts gathered from these reports, your committee offer the following resolutions:

1. That we express our appreciation of the enlarging interest of the Reformed Church in the cause of Nazareth Orphans' Home.

2. That we record our thankfulness for the splendid bequest received from the estate of Mrs. Laura P. Hoffman Hodges, of Baltimore, Md., and that we urge our people to remember the Home in the final distribution of their wealth.

3. That we urge our several Churches to take the usual Thanksgiving and Christmas offerings, and that they open their Churches to the representatives of the Home in the person of the Superintendent or the class, or both, and that generous offerings be given to the support of the same.

4. That we urge our Sunday Schools to take monthly offerings for the Home, and that pastors present the cause to other organizations of the local congregation as a worthy object of benevolence.

5. That pastors urge their people to attend the 12th anniversary of the Home to be held August 1, 1918.

6. That pastors be requested to designate some special day to present the cause of Ministerial Relief to their people; that in addition to an earnest presentation of the cause offerings be received and divided between the General Synod's Board and the Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows.

7. That we call the attention of our ministers to the Sustentation Plan as adopted by General Synod and urge them to-come members of the same.

Respectfully submitted,

L. A. PEELER,
J. H. SHUFORD,
OTIS WHITE.

ARTICLE XXII.

EXAMINATION AND LICENSURE.

The Committee on Examination and Licensure presented the following report, which was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis:

Your Committee on Examination and Licensure beg leave to report that no business has been referred to them for consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. SHUFORD,
D. C. COX,
M. L. SOWERS.

ARTICLE XXIII.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

The following report was received and adopted:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Young People's Societies beg leave to report that the statistical reports from the Young People's Societies have been recorded on the blanks furnished for the purpose, and from these reports we find a total of 592 active members, a decrease of a little over 200, the decrease being accounted for in the fact that last year's total included several Mission Bands, these not being included in our report this year. We find from this year's report also a decrease in the number of associate members, no doubt due in part at least to the same cause. As to the benevolent offerings of these societies. a decrease of $83, but an increase of $376 in the amounts used for congregational purposes. We rejoice in the splendid work that has been accomplished during the past year, but believe there is yet much more to be done, for not all of our young people by any means are yet actively engaged in this work. On the basis of these statistical reports and the recommendations of General Synod's Permanent Committee on Young People's Societies we recommend the following:

1. That each pastor be urged to exercise diligence and care so that the statistical reports may be as complete as possible.

2. That where there are no Young People's organizations, an effort be made to organize such.

3. That every pastor feel entirely free to call upon the Classical Superintendent of Young People's Societies for aid in this work.

4. That the third Sunday of October be observed as "Young People's Day," according to the recommendation of General Synod.

5. That where practicable the little book, "This Side the Trenches With the American Red Cross," might be studied with profit to stimulate work in Social Service.

J. A. PALMER,
JOHN A. KOONS,
J. L. C. MILLER.

The statistics will be found in the appendix.

ARTICLE XXIV.

MINUTES OF GENERAL SYNOD.

The following report was received, considered and finally adopted as a whole:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on the Minutes of General Synod beg leave to report the following items:

1. Page 9. Synod met in the First Reformed Church, Dayton, Ohio, May 16, 1917. The following delegates from the Classis were present: Revs. D. E. Bowers, W. W. Rowe, Paul Barringer, D. D., and W. H. McNairy; Elders J. O. Moose and John W. Peeler.

2. Page 32. The movements to deepen interest in Christian education in the home and Sunday School are commended to the Classes.

3. Page 37. Classes are requested to appoint committees or special representatives to co-operate with General Synod's Commission on Temperance.

4. Page 37. The financial support of the Commission on Temperance is suggested to congregations, Sunday Schools and individuals.

5. Page 38. Our Churches and Sunday Schools are urged to undertake more fully than ever a program of temperance education and pledge signing.

6. Page 40. Synod requests that in every charge a day of prayer for public schools be observed.

7. Page 74. Synod requests the appointment of active and efficient Missionary and Stewardship Committees in every Classis and congregation.

8. Page 74. Synod earnestly urges a carefully planned and thoroughly prosecuted Every-Member Canvass in every congregation.

9. Page 75. Synod urges every congregation to

a. Keep financial accounts with diligence and care.

b. Appoint two Treasurers, one for benevolent funds and one for current funds.

c. Requests Treasurers of congregations to forward benevolent funds promptly to Classical Treasurers, and that Classes instruct their Treasurers to forward on the 10th and 25th of each month all funds intended for the Boards.

10. Page 75. Synod recommends to the Classes the advisability of closing the fiscal year with April 30.

11. Page 75. Synod calls the attention of congregations to the fact that a pastor should receive no less than $1000 salary and parsonage.

12. Page 94. Synod protests most earnestly against the playing of golf and baseball, the operation of pool rooms, motion pictures and theatres on the Lord's Day, and asks Classes, consistories and congregations to help make effective this protest.

13. Page 163. Synod earnestly asks every Classis to call upon its Churches through their consistories for benevolent budgets to provide for apportionment for Home Missions.

14. Page 163. Classes are urged to devise better business methods in planning to secure the annual Home Mission budget.

15. Page 165. The second Sunday in November is designated as Home Mission Day, and Classes are affectionately enjoined to devise plans for the same.

16. Page 165. Classes are urged to co-operate in putting into effect the three-year plan of the Committee on Evangelism.

17. Page 165. Prosperous, well-to-do people of our Churches are challenged to contribute $500 Church-building Funds.

18. Page 165. The work and Plans of the Social Service Committee are commended to the Classes and congregations.

19. Page 165. The *Outlook of Missions* and the increased use of tracts and leaflets are heartily commended to the Church.

20. Page 165. The peculiar value of Mission Study Classes throughout the Church is emphasized.

21. Page 165. The work among the Jews in New York is commended to the liberal support of the whole Church.

22. Page 178. The attention of pastors and consistories is called to the need of presenting the subject of Ministerial Relief to their congregations at least once each year.

23. Page 178. The distinction between the relief work and the Annuity Plan is to be made by ministers and consistories.

24. Page 214. Synod requests Classes to urge their congregations, schools and individuals to make an annual free will offering to the general Sunday School cause.

25. Page 215. Synod earnestly entreats the several Classes to magnify the place and work of their Classical Committees on Sunday School Work, and urges the holding of conventions, institutes, schools of methods and conferences with schools throughout their bounds.

26. Page 215. Synod suggests to the several Classes to request the pastor and consistory of every congregation to appoint a Committee on Good Literature.

27. Pages 214-215. The Children's Endowment Fund is commended to Classes, congregations and Sunday Schools.

28. Page 215. Synod calls the attention of Classes to the importance of moral and religious education of the children and the youth.

29. Page 215. The attention of Classes is called to plans for week-day religious instruction.

30. Page 286. Synod asks the co-operation of pastors and congregations in the effort to increase the circulation of the *Outlook of Missions* 50 per cent. during the triennium.

31. Page 286. Summer Missionary Conferences are commended.

32. Page 287. The annual contribution of one day's income by members of the Church to the work of Foreign Missions is endorsed.

33. Page 287. The second Sunday in February of each year is designated as Foreign Mission Day.

34. Page 298. Synod through Classes commends to our people the urgent necessity of increasing their contributions towards the support of our Orphans' Homes.

35. Page 299. The third Sunday in October is designated as Young People's Day.

36. Page 299. The Standing Committees on Young People's Societies of the Classes are requested to carefully summarize the statistics each year and that Stated Clerks be instructed to forward them to the Chairman of General Synod's Permanent Committee on Young People's Societies.

37. Page 320. The books entitled "The Reformation a Liberating Force" and "Local Church Efficiency" are commended to all our judicatories and people.

38. Page 310. Synod urgently requests Classes and congregations to accept and pay annually the following amounts per communicant member: 80 cents for Home Missions; 80 cents for Foreign Missions; 10 cents for Ministerial Relief; 4 cents per member for contingent expenses of General Synod.

39. Page 317. Amendments to the Constitution. The General Synod hands down the following amendments:

(a) Since only ministers and licentiates are eligible to the pastoral office, a congregation or charge shall not nominate or elect a student for the ministry as its pastor, until the latter half of the Senior year of his theological course, when a charge may tender, and a student accept, a call, which, however, shall not be confirmed by a Classis, nor become effective, until after his licensure.

(b) When any minister shall resign his charge by reason of age or incapacity for further labor, and the congregation shall be moved by affectionate regard for his person and gratitude for his ministry among them, to desire that he should continue to be associated with them in an honorary relation, they may at a regularly called meeting elect him as pastor emeritus, with or without salary, but with no pastoral authority or duty. This action shall be subject to the approval of Classis, and shall take effect upon the formal dissolution of the pastoral relation.

40. Page 320. The Laymen's Missionary Movement is commended to the support of our people.

41. Page 330. The General Synod will meet in 20th triennial sessions in the Second Reformed Church, Reading, Pa., at 7.45 o'clock p. m., Wednesday, May 19, A. D. 1920.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. MCNAIRY,
PAUL BARRINGER,
L. M. BROWN.

ARTICLE XXV.

NECROLOGY.

The following report was received and adopted by a rising vote, Rev. J. C. Leonard, at the request of the President, leading the Classis in prayer.

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Dear Fathers and Brethren:—Your Committee on Ministerial Necrology would respectfully report the following for the current Classical year: During this period one minister has passed out of the Church militant, viz., the Rev. Joseph L. Murphy, D. D.

Joseph Lorenzo Murphy, son of Pleasant Murphy and Barbara Long Murphy, was born July 10, 1858, and departed this life October 11, 1917, making his age 59 years, 3 months and one day. On his mother's side he comes of a family noted

for contributing many ministers to the service of the Reformed Church. He was a native of Davidson county, N. C., reared near old Bethany Church, which was very sacred to him on account of the hallowed and sacred memories associated with it touching his boyhood days. He received his early education in the public schools of his native county and afterwards entered Catawba College, which at that time was a High School. Here he came in touch with that great personality of the Reformed Church, Dr. J. C. Clapp. After graduating from the Catawba High School he entered Ursinus College, Collegeville, Pa., and graduated with the class of 1885. It was his good fortune, also, at this institution to come in touch with another tower of strength in his Church, Dr. J. H. A. Bomberger.

On leaving College he came back to his native state and accepted a call to the pastorate of the Lincoln Charge, which at that time was composed of Matthew's, Daniel's and Salem congregations. He was licensed and ordained to the gospel ministry on October 23, 1885. The Committee of Ordination was Revs. J. Ingold, J. A. Foil and G. D. Gurley. As pastor of the Lincoln Charge he soon effected an organization at Maiden and erected Memorial Church, which was incorporated with said charge. He, having accepted a call to the Hickory Charge, began his pastorate there the first Sunday of November, 1890. The charge at that time was composed of Corinth, Grace and Bethel. On January 19, 1903, the Classis declared the Hickory congregation a charge, and his entire time since was given to its development. The fine church building which was erected under his leadership stands as a monument to his labors in Hickory. In connection with this work his heart was also in the Mission at Brookford, which has always been under his fostering care. He was closely identified with every department of work in his denomination. Frequently he was a delegate to Synod and General Synod. He was also closely allied with our educational interests. For years he had been a Trustee of Catawba College and for many years he was

President of its Board. During his entire ministry in Hickory he was connected with Claremont College in the capacity of Trustee, teacher and President. He was also a member of the Board of Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home, and always keenly interested in its welfare. He was largely instrumental in giving to the Classis the *Reformed Church Standard* as we have it today, and at the time of his death was editor of same.

During his 27 years as pastor in Hickory he had seeen many changes in the community. He had seen his own congregation grow from a small band to a strong, substantial membership. Wonderful indeed was his ministry.

The deceased was first married to Miss Minnie Reinhardt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Reinhardt, of Newton. To this union there were born two children, Mrs. R. A. Grimes, of Hickory, and Joseph L. Murphy, jr., who is today with an engineering corps "somewhere in France." After the death of his first wife he was again united in marriage to Miss Essie Carpenter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Carpenter, of Maiden. To this union there were born two children, John Carpenter Murphy and Mary Huitt Murphy. Surviving him are his widow and four children.

The funeral services were held in Corinth Church, of which he had been pastor so long, on Saturday morning, October 13, at 10 o'clock. The services were in charge of Rev. W. W. Rowe, a child of the congregation. He read a short sketch of the life and labors of the deceased and also made a few remarks upon 2 Samuel 3: 39, "Know ye not that there is a prince and a great man fallen this day in Israel?" A paper prepared by Mrs. C. C. Bost was read, which was a beautiful memorial to her pastor. Rev. Dr. J. C. Leonard brought a very tender and comforting message to the congregation and family.

Others who assisted in the funeral services were Revs. J. D. Andrew, A. S. Peeler, J. A. Palmer, W. H. McNairy, J. C. Peeler and A. D. Wolfinger.

Out of respect to the deceased the stores of the city were closed during the time of the funeral.

How thankful we should be for his life and deeds! May his example be an inspiration to the young men of the Church and community, and his deeds be a cherished memory to us all. Those who knew him best loved him most and those who knew him least loved him much. How appropriate his own words used in reference to another: "His soul has gone out where the darkness disappears and the shadows flee away. Comparing his entire life with the model laid down in God's Word we cannot withhold from him the unbidden homage, 'Of such is the kingdom of heaven.' "

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. ROWE,
H. A. WELKER,
E. A. ROTHROCK.

ARTICLE XXVI.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The pastor loci, Rev. H. A. Fesperman, delivered an address of welcome at the opening meeting of Classis. This was heartily responded to by the President.

The following resolution relating to student supply was adopted:

WHEREAS, There are vacant charges in Classis and students in our Seminaries who could with profit to the Churches and to themselves render effective supply work,

Resolved, That a member of Classis be appointed mediary between our theological students and our vacant charges in an attempt to secure students to supply vacant charges during summer vacations, and also to assist vacant charges in securing pastors.

Rev. C. C. Wagoner was appointed for this work.

The following is the report of the Committe on Reporting for the Press, which was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis:

Your Commitee on Press beg leave to report that it has supplied the local correspondent with the proceedings of Classis, and he has promised to send same to the *Charlote Observer, Greensboro Daily News, Raleigh News and Observer, Winston Sentinel* and the *Asheville Times.*

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. ROWE,
H. A. FESPERMAN,
K. L. LONG.

The following resolutions of thanks were adopted:

Resolved, That the Classis of North Carolina assembled in 88th annual sessions in St. Paul's Reformed Church, South Fork Charge, desires to express its sincere thanks to the pastor, members and citizens of the community for their most cordial welcome and very generous hospitality extended to us during our stay here, and that we request the pastor to read this resolution from the pulpit.

Resolved, That Classis present to this congregation the sum of five dollars for the use of their Church during our sessions here.

The following action was taken with reference to next year's business:

Resolved, That in the interest of time and more system in the work of Classis the President of this Classis be authorized to appoint some member of this body before the next annual meeting to prepare the Minutes of Synod as referred to us; also at least five days before the next meeting of Classis the parochial reports with statistics be sent to the President of Classis, the Sunday School statistics to the Chairman of the Sunday School Committee, and the reports of Young People's work be sent to the Superintendent of this department.

The following miscellaneous sums were referred to the Commiteee on Finance for apportionment:

Stated Clerk's Salary and Expenses	$ 67 64
Treasurer's Salary and Expenses	34 42
Printing Minutes of Classis	175 00
Church-building Fund	700 00
Contingent Fund of Classis	250 00

Catawba College, 15 cents per member.

The following representatives of Boards of the Church addressed Classis:

Rev. F. A. Rupley in the interest of Potomac Synod's Board of Education and also the Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows.

Rev. J. G. Rupp spoke for the Board of Foreign Missions.

Rev. J. M. Mullan, Superintendent of Missions, delivered an address on Home Missions.

Rev. C. A. Hauser, D. D., spoke in the interest of the work of the Publication and Sunday School Board.

President A. D. Wolfinger addressed Classis in behalf of Catawba College.

Revs. John Ingle, M. L. Hedrick and H. A. M. Holshouser asked to be excused for absence. Their request was granted.

Rev. J. W. Bell was granted permission to continue in secular work another year.

All committees dealing with statistics were directed to insert figures of last year when no reports for this year were in their hands.

ARTICLE XXVII.

RESUMPTION AND CLOSE.

The Committee on Leave of Absence presented the following report, which was adopted:

Your Committee on Excuses beg leave to submit the following as names of persons given leave of absence:

R. H. Thomason, Rev. A. Klinger, James Clapp, J. T. Plott, Rev. G. E. Plott, E. A. Sink, Rev. Paul Barringer, J. L. C. Miller, P. G. Cook, J. W. Cook, M. C. Barnhart, Rev. S. Peeler, J. W. Hedrick, Rev. R. E. Leinbach, M. L. Sowers, G. D. Peeler, J. P. Linn, S. R. Warlick, K. L. Long, Rev. J. D. Andrew, Rev. D. C. Cox.

Respectfully submitted,

R. E. LEINBACH,
H. G. KOPENHAVER,
J. W. HEDRICK.

At the last session, all business having been transacted, the roll was called and all persons not excused answered to their names. The Minutes of the day's session were read and approved.

ARTICLE XXVIII.

ADJOURNMENT.

The Classis adjourned finally Saturday evening, May 11, at 4 o'clock, to meet in annual sessions in Corinth Reformed Church, Hickory, N. C., Monday, May 5, A. D. 1919, at 8 o'clock p. m.

J. H. KELLER, *President,*
J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

Attest: Official copy from the original Minutes.
J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

STATISTICAL REPORT OF YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

Congregation	Name of Society	Name and Address of Secretary	Members		Contributions			
			Active	Associate	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Other Benevolence	Congregat'l Purposes
St. Paul's S. F. Charge	Y. P. S. C. E.	Loyd Fulbright, Newton, N. C.	30	4	$	$	$3	$2
Pilgrim U. D. Charge	Y. P. S. C. E	Buna Leonard, Lexington, N. C.	19		6			
First, Greensboro	Jr. Congregation	Fred Troxler, Greensboro, N. C	42		5	5	5	4
First, Greensboro	Jr. Y. P. S. C. E.	Howard Barbee, Greensboro, N. C.	32				2	7
First, Greensboro	Y. P. S. C. E.	Pauline Gingrich, Greensboro, N. C	15				10	5
Corinth, Hickory	Y. P. S. C. E.	May Allen, Hickory, N. C.	38					15
Bethel, Bear Creek Chg	Y. P. S. C. E.	Verna Lentz, Gold Hill, N. C.	30		6		5	3
First, High Point	Y. P. S. C. E.	Viola Faust, High Point, N. C	23					25
First, High Point	Jr. Y. P. S. C. E.	Edgar Whitener, High Point, N. C.	35			4		
First, High Point	Earnest Workers		19					476
Trinity, Conover	Y. P. S. C. E.	Thelma Cline, Conover, N. C.	36	7	10		5	15
Trinity, Conover	Jr. Y. P. S. C. E.	Earl Hawn, Conover, N. C	38				5	
Grace, Newton	Y. P. S. C. E.	Carrie Thornton, Newton, N. C	65	2				
Zion, Lenoir	Y. P. S. C. E.	Dwight Blackwelder, Lenoir, N. C.	10		4			
First, Lexington	Y. P. S. C. E.	Pearl Hinkle, Lexington, N. C.	36		4	3	5	16
First, Lexington	Jr. Y. P. S. C. E.	Lucy Belle Leonard, Lexington, N. C.	34		3	1	5	18
Second, Lexington	Y. P. S. C. E.	Esther Hancock, Lexington, N. C.	30		2		3	21
Bethel, High Point	Y. P. S. C. E.	Lila Williams, High Point, N. C.	40		5			
Bethel, High Point	Jr. Y. P. S. C. E.		20					
			592	13	$45	$13	$48	$607

STATISTICAL REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Name of Charge	Name of School	Name and Post Office Address of Superintendent	Name and Post Office Address of Primary Superintendent	Membership: 1 Officers & Teachers	Scholars: 2 Primary Dept. incl. Beginners	3 Junior Dept.	4 Intermediate Dept.	5 Senior Dept.	Total (This means the sum of cols 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)	Av. attendance (based on cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)	At Home: 6 Cradle Roll	7 Home Dept.	Total Enrollment (Add cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7)	Education: No. of Books in Library	Are Reform'd Lesson Helps used in School?	No. Org. Adult Classes	Teacher Training Clas.	No. Teacher Training Students Enrolled	Mission Study Classes	Church Relation: Scholars in full Church Membership	Scholars Baptized but not Confirmed	Scholars Confirmed During the Year	Contributions: Missions: Home	Foreign	Gen. Synod's S. S. Work	Other Benevolence and Other Objects	Expenses nd Support f School
Hickory	Corinth	W. X. Reid, Hickory, N. C.	Mrs. H. C. Menzies, Hickory, N. C.	21	68	15	10	77	187	140	34	----	225	----	yes	3	--	----	--	100	91	9	$11	$---	$--	$67	$94
Brookford	Brookford	C. E. Warren, Sta. B, Hickory		6	54	28	----	24	112	38	----	----	112	----	no	--	--	----	--	17	32	----	----	----	--	5	63
1st, Lexington	First	J. T. Hedrick, Lexington, N. C.	Miss Beulah Hanna, Lexington, N. C.	16	77	81	60	170	404	230	23	----	427	----	yes	--	--	----	--	235	50	16	56	60	--	190	200
2d, Lexington	Second	T. A. Swing, Lexington, N. C.	Mrs. M. P. Bain, Lexington, N. C.	10	34	55	23	82	204	115	22	----	226	----	yes	--	--	----	--	90	12	13	11	8	--	84	48
High Point	First	J. W. Hedrick, High Point, N. C.	Mrs. Edgar Whitener, High Point, N. C.	19	68	34	28	71	220	140	32	20	272	75	yes	2	--	----	1	91	32	----	5	8	6	15	85
	Bethel	Thos. P. Andrew, High Point, N. C.		10	56	29	14	93	202	101	----	----	202	12	yes	2	--	----	--	75	20	----	3	3	--	31	25
Concord	Trinity	J. O. Moose, Concord, N. C.		17	26	14	8	40	105	74	4	12	121	----	yes	--	--	----	--	78	43	----	----	7	--	71	77
Lenoir	Zion	Ivey T. Hedrick, Lenoir, N. C.	Mrs. J. R. McNairy, Lenoir, N. C.	11	13	8	6	20	58	38	6	8	73	130	yes	--	--	----	--	45	15	----	10	----	--	21	74
Lincolnton	Emanuel	J. A. Shuford, Lincolnton, N. C.		9	16	10	9	17	61	37	----	----	61	----	yes	--	--	----	--	34	----	1	----	3	--	----	40
Schlatter Mem	Schlatter Mem	E. A. Sink, Winston-Salem, N. C.		10	35	22	----	21	87	30	----	----	87	----	yes	--	--	----	--	30	----	7	----	----	--	----	35
Faith	Shiloh	Luther Holshouser, Salisbury, N. C., R. 3		16	59	17	----	67	159	105	----	----	159	50	yes	--	1	12	--	60	99	3	----	11	7	38	144
	Grace	C. A. Holshouser, Rockwell, N. C.		13	52	41	42	77	225	99	----	----	225	100	yes	--	--	----	--	135	97	4	----	----	--	51	30
	Mt. Hope	Martin Weaver, Salisbury, N. C., R. 8		11	27	30	32	28	137	75	----	----	137	----	yes	--	--	----	--	55	122	----	5	----	5	14	85
Bear Creek	St. James'	O. A. Barringer, Mt. Pleasant, N. C.	Mrs. A. W. Moose	15	23	12	8	36	94	66	----	----	94	----	yes	--	--	----	--	66	26	----	----	----	--	15	131
	Bethel	M. G. Lentz, Gold Hill, N. C.		19	48	34	30	158	289	154	----	----	289	----	yes	--	--	----	--	186	103	14	----	----	--	57	82
	Boger	E. C. Sapp, Concord, N. C., R. 4	Mrs. J. A. Lippard, Concord, N. C., R. 4	12	61	17	----	93	186	85	----	----	186	----	yes	--	--	----	--	103	80	5	----	----	--	5	105
Catawba	Trinity	A. L. Shuford, Conover, N. C.	Miss Olive Hunsucker, Conover, N. C.	13	40	20	30	40	143	85	24	----	167	35	yes	3	--	----	--	74	69	9	5	----	--	50	60
	Bethany	L. P. Wilson, Clarmount, N. C.		7	15	16	14	----	52	28	----	----	52	----	yes	--	--	----	--	28	24	4	----	----	--	----	15
	Smyrna	A. L. Martin, Catawba, N. C.		12	40	20	20	30	122	60	----	----	122	----	no	2	--	----	--	70	52	3	----	----	--	----	40

STATISTICAL REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Name of Charge	Name of School	Name and Post Office Address of Superintendent	Name and Post Office Address of Primary Superintendent	Membership: 1 Officers and Teachers	Scholars: 2 Primary Dept. incl. Beginners	Scholars: 3 Junior Dept.	Scholars: 4 Intermediate Dept.	Scholars: 5 Senior Dept.	Total (This means the sum of cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)	Av. Attendance (based on cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)	At Home: 6 Cradle Roll	At Home: 7 Home Dept.	Total Enrollment (Add Cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7)	Education: No. of Books in Library	Are Reformed Lesson Helps used in School?	Education: No. Org. Adult Classes	Education: Teacher Training Clas.	Education: No. Teacher Training Students Enrolled	Education: Mission Study Classes	Church Relation: Scholars in full Church Membership	Church Relation: Scholars Baptized but not Confirmed	Church Relation: Scholars Confirmed During the Year	Contributions: Missions: Home	Contributions: Missions: Foreign	Contributions: Gen. Synod's S. S. Work	Contributions: Other Benevolence and Other Objects	Contributions: Expenses and Support of School
Up'r Davidson	Beulah	M. L. Somers, Lexington, N. C.		11	50	45	40	40	175	75	----	----	175	----	yes	2	1	8	--	125	25	3	60	3	--	4	50
	Bethany	J. P. Long, Wallburg, N. C.		10	12	15	36	25	88	50	----	----	88	----	yes	--	--	----	--	40	----	1	----	----	--	----	12
	Pilgrim	J. Thomas Leonard, Lexington, N. C.		15	50	50	35	50	200	130	10	----	210	----	yes	2	--	----	--	175	35	7	9	----	--	45	30
Rockwell	Ursinus	George H. Peeler, Rockwell, N. C.	Miss Carrie M. Holshouser, Rockwell, N. C.	17	35	17	26	66	161	103	8	----	169	----	yes	3	--	----	--	93	73	1	6	6	6	67	80
	Bethany	Sidney Safrit, Crescent, N. C.		16	43	22	30	20	141	91	----	----	141	----	yes	3	--	----	--	74	55	4	4	4	4	38	30
	St. Luke's	Luther A. Peeler, Salisbury, N. C., R. 6		9	9	8	8	37	67	43	3	----	70	----	yes	2	1	12	--	34	27	----	----	----	3	40	25
Gilead	Keller	Aaron Cook, Concord, N. C., R.F.D		6	20	20	12	----	58	40	----	----	58	----	yes	1	--	----	--	25	20	----	----	----	--	----	12
	New Gilead	Luther Cline, Concord, N. C.		11	22	11	----	47	91	45	----	----	91	----	yes	2	--	----	--	60	35	----	----	----	--	----	20
South Fork	Bethel	Gordon L. Whitener Hickory, N. C., R.F.D		8	15	10	10	30	73	48	----	----	73	25	yes	--	--	----	--	55	18	3	----	----	--	25	30
	St. Paul's	J. M. Bost, Newton, N. C.		8	25	15	15	50	113	65	----	----	113	----	yes	1	1	5	--	85	28	2	10	----	--	20	40
	Grace	Abraham Anthony, Lincolnton, N.C.,R.F.D		8	25	15	10	45	103	55	----	----	103	----	no	--	--	----	--	50	20	----	----	----	--	15	35
	Daniel's	T. F. Abernethy, Reepsville, N. C.		5	----	----	----	30	35	20	----	----	35	----	yes	--	--	----	--	35	----	----	10	----	--	10	20
Burlington	Burlington	Herbert W. Coble, Burlington, N. C.		17	30	30	25	50	152	90	----	----	152	----	yes	--	--	----	--	120	----	4	----	----	--	----	75
	St. Mark's	Chas. V. Boone, Burlington, R F. D.		8	12	14	6	10	50	29	----	----	50	----	yes	--	--	----	--	40	----	----	----	----	--	----	25
Waughtown	First	A W. Linville, Winston-Salem, N. C.		15	39	20	----	66	140	74	----	6	146	20	yes	2	--	----	--	50	----	----	4	----	--	7	97
	Hebron	L. L. Nifong, Winston-Salem, R. 4		9	17	12	----	47	86	53	----	----	86	----	yes	3	--	----	--	40	----	----	----	----	--	5	15
	Bethlehem	Chas. Hiatt, Winston-Salem, R. 5.		7	13	18	----	33	71	50	----	----	71	----	yes	--	--	----	--	20	----	----	----	----	--	4	13

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				1	Scholars 2	3	4	5			At Home 6	7										Missions			
				Officers and Teachers	Primary Dept. Incl. Beginners	Junior Dept.	Intermediate Dept.	Senior Dept.	Total (This means the sum of cols 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)	Av. Attendance (based on cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)	Cradle Roll	Home Dept.	Total Enrollment (Add cols 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7)	No. of Books in Library	Are Reform'd Lesson Helps used in School?	No Org. Adult Classes	Teacher Training Class.	No. Teacher Training Students Enrolled	Mission Study Classes	Scholars in full Church Membership	Scholars Baptized but not Confirmed	Scholars Confirmed During the Year	Home	Foreign	Gen. Synod's S.S. Work	Other Benevolence and Other Objects	Expenses and Support of School
L. Davidson	Mt. Tabor	Carl Smith, Lexington, N. C., R. 2		9	32	33	12	25	111	70			111		yes					75	25	7					25
	Hedrick's Grove	Robert L. Beck, Lexington, N. C., R. 2		8	25	22	13	26	94	60			94		yes					40	41	2					20
	Jerusalem	Robert Hunt, Lexington, R. F. D.		8	21	20	16	23	87	50			87		no					18	12	2					25
	Beck's	John A. Parks, Lexington, N. C., R. 6		8	25	26	17	36	112	72			112		yes					66	34	13					15
Emanuel	Emanuel	W. T. Fouts, Thomasville, N. C.		13	70	20	35	156	260	160			260		no	2				165	45	15				40	50
	Calvary	B. Black, Thomasville, N. C.		10	20	25	30	60	145	60			145		no					50	16	1					12
	Zion	J. W. Veach, Thomasville, N. C.		13	30	20	35	75	173	80			173		no					110							14
Wset Rowan	Mt. Zion	Dr. G. A. Romseur, China Grove, N. C.		21	60	30	40	150	291	125			291		yes					200	90	14			10	5	75
	St. Paul's	J. F. McKnight, China Grove, N. C.		7	8	9	7	32	63	45			63		yes					39	24	6					25
Heidelberg	Heidelberg	F. M. Hunter, Thomasville, N. C.		12	35	26	24	19	116	64	30		146		yes	2				80	20					58	53
Lincoln	Maiden Mem.	J. F. Carpenter, Maiden, N. C.		8	33	22		25	78	43			78	85	yes	3				51							45
	St. Matthew's	H. J. Crooks, Lincolnton, N. C., R.4		8	18	7		15	40	28			40		yes					35							8
Guilford	Mt. Hope	Abigail Faust, Julian, N. C., R. 1.		12	39	34	38	44	169	95	40	9	218		yes	6				86		10				50	30
	Brick	Wilbert Clapp, Burlington, N. C.		8	36	8		37	90	69			90		no					44		5					19
Salisbury	Faith	I. A. Nussman, Salisbury, N. C.	Mrs. G. C. Fisher, Salisbury, N. C.	9	27	14		52	102	47	12		114	80	yes	2				55	40	3		3		15	85
Newton	Grace	W. A. Rinehardt, Newton, N. C.	Mrs. S. L. Herman, Newton, N. C.	13	39	9	37	50	148	80			148	50	yes					60	80						136
Greensboro	First	O. M. Rockett, Greensboro, N. C.	Miss Pauline Gingrich	22	67	51	25	50	215	132	30	15	260		yes	2				90		7	40		5	20	75
Charlotte	First	B. J. Summeron, Charlotte, N. C.		9	15	10	8	32	74	41			74		yes					40	15	6					125
Albemarle	First	H. J. Shankle, Abemarle, N. C.		7	10	9	5	7	38	24	4	5	47	20	yes					13	6	1	3	5		14	21
Total Number of Schools in Classis, 54.			Total for Classis	632	1832	1207	929	2700	7257	4109	282	75	7648	682		50	4	37	2	4010	1751	201	252	118	49	1186	2893

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Index Number	Ministers	Post Office Address	Names of Charges or Congregations	Congregations	Members			Baptisms		Additions			Losses				S. Schools			Members Y.P. Societies	Students for Ministry	Contributions					
					Communicants	Communed	Unconfirmed	Infant	Adult	Confirmed	By Certificate	Renewal of Prof'n	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths Communic'ts	Deaths Unconfirmd	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars, Adult Home Dept. incl			Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Education	Other Benevolences	Congregational Purposes
--	John Ingle	Green Park, N. C.	Without Charge																							
--	Michael L. Hedrick	Lexington, N. C., R.D. 6	Without Charge																							
--	Peter M. Trexler, D. D.	Salisbury, N. C., R.D. 6	Without Charge																							
--	Paul Barringer, D. D.	Mt. Pleasant, N. C.	Without Charge																							
1	Jacob C. Leonard, D. D.	Lexington, N. C.	First, Lexington	1	410	308	73	10	12	19	6	1	3	14	5	1	1	16	427	60	--	$268	$1677	$178	$649	$2319
2			Hedrick's Grove	1	88	65	25	5	1	4	---	---	1	---	2	2	1	8	------	----	----	----	----	----	75	150
3	J. M. L. Lyerly, Ph. D.	Crescent, N. C.	Mt. Tabor	1	65	60	28	1	1	7	1	---	1	27	---	---	1	9	------	----	----	----	----	----	30	280
4	Supply	Lower Davidson Charge	Jerusalem	1	39	35	14	---	---	2	---	---	---	---	---	---	1	8	------	----	----	----	----	----	25	65
5			Beck's	1	129	110	70	3	3	12	---	1	---	---	---	1	1	8	------	----	----	----	----	----	90	190
--	James D. Andrew	Newton, N. C.	Pres. Catawba College																							
--	Julius H. Shuford	Hickory, N. C.	Without Charge																							
6	Wm. H. McNairy	Lincolnton, N. C.	Emanuel, Lincolnton	1	68	50	14	3	1	4	2	---	2	---	---	---	1	9	61	----	--	31	26	3	51	575
--	Henry E. Sechler	China Grove, N. C.	Without Charge																							
7	John H. Keller	China Grove, N. C.	Mt. Zion	1	347	250	218	19	---	14	10	2	2	---	5	2	1	21	291	----	--	158	120	930	241	940
8		West Rowan Charge	St. Paul's	1	59	47	20	3	---	6	---	---	1	---	1	---	1	7	63	----	--	20	20	20	20	165
9	David E. Bowers	Winston-Salem, N. C.	First, Waughtown	1	52	32	1	---	---	---	---	---	1	1	1	---	1	----	------	----	--	17	15	1	15	178
10		Waughtown Charge	Hebron	1	94	67	27	3	---	---	1	---	---	7	1	---	1	----	------	----	--	34	31	1	30	195
11			Bethlehem	1	39	22	---	---	1	---	3	---	---	1	---	---	1	----	------	----	--	14	8	1	6	26
12	Walter W. Rowe	Hickory, N. C.	Corinth, Hickory	1	325	275	110	6	---	9	12	---	17	---	2	---	1	21	204	60	--	500	200	100	1200	2800
13	Shuford Peeler	Charlotte, N. C.	First, Charlotte	1	35	27	20	2	1	5	3	1	3	2	---	1	1	9	65	----	--	15	12	4	50	560
--	A. R. Holshauser, M. D.	Rockwell, N. C.	Without Charge																							
--	Anthony Shulenberger	China Grove, N. C.	Without Charge																							
--	E. G. Williams, D. D.	Tabor, N. C.	Without Charge																							
14	Lee A. Peeler	Albemarle, N. C.	First, Albemarle	1	22	20	8	2	2	3	7	---	3	---	---	---	1	7	47	----	--	10	7	5	22	444
--	Joseph W. Bell	San Jose, Cal.	Without Charge																							
15	A. Samuel Peeler	Lenoir, N. C.	Zion, Lenoir	1	54	42	24	1	---	---	1	---	2	2	---	---	1	11	72	10	--	83	61	----	160	1468
16	C. C. Wagoner	Salisbury, N. C.	Faith, Salisbury	1	86	74	35	3	1	3	10	---	7	---	1	---	1	----	------	----	--	83	56	36	138	1055
17			Emanuel	1	169	111	40	1	2	16	---	---	3	---	2	---	1	13	260	----	--	----	----	----	100	350
18	Dougan C. Cox	Thomasville, N. C.	Calvary	1	67	55	---	---	1	2	7	---	1	---	1	---	1	10	145	----	--	----	----	----	27	125
19		Emanuel Charge	Zion	1	112	65	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	3	---	1	----	------	----	--	----	----	----	86	160
20	John A. Koons	Rockwell, N. C.	St Luke's	1	56	53	17	2	---	---	1	---	4	1	---	---	1	9	70	----	1	----	----	15	105	310
21		Rockwell Charge	Ursinus	1	114	110	57	8	1	1	5	2	4	3	---	---	1	17	169	----	3	----	----	50	234	650
22			Bethany	1	78	69	27	2	---	---	---	---	2	---	1	---	1	16	141	----	--	----	----	25	170	400
23	Jacob A. Palmer	Thomasville, N. C.	Heidelberg, Thomasville	1	112	70	27	---	---	1	---	---	2	---	2	---	1	----	------	----	--	63	38	14	13	359
24			Smyrna	1	45	37	29	6	---	3	---	---	1	2	---	---	1	12	122	----	--	10	12	----	25	150
25	John C. Peeler	Conover, N. C.	Bethany	1	44	30	20	4	---	4	1	---	1	---	1	---	1	7	52	----	--	10	12	----	20	100
26		Catawba Charge	Trinity																							
--			St. John's	1	106	95	35	12	--	9	5	--	5	--	1	1	1	13	167	----	--	70	37	108	225	550
--	Albert F. Nace	Jonesboro, Tenn.	Without Charge																							

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					Communicants	Communed	Unconfirmed	Infant	Adult	Confirmed	By Certificate	Renewal of Prof'n	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths Communic'ts	Deaths Unconfirmd	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars, Adult Home Dept. incl.			Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Education	Other Benevolences	Congregational Purposes
27	Wm. C. Lyerly	Mt. Pleasant, N. C.	St. James'	1	90	60	31	3	---	---	---	1	1	---	1	1	1	15	96	23	--	235	37	---	-----	385
28	.....	Bear Creek Charge	Bethel	1	217	180	67	2	---	14	2	---	---	---	1	---	1	19	289	67	1	42	195	---	-----	436
29	.....	.....	Boger	1	69	60	37	3	---	5	---	---	---	---	---	1	1	12	186	35	--	30	12	---	-----	138
30	Harvey A. Welker	Salisbury, N. C., R. 3	Shiloh	1	97	81	---	4	---	2	1	---	---	---	1	---	1	16	159	25	1	60	5	---	39	1047
31	.....	Faith Charge	Grace	1	170	161	55	2	---	4	3	---	2	---	---	1	---	13	225	30	--	100	68	---	51	638
32	.....	.....	Mt. Hope	1	67	54	---	5	---	---	3	---	---	---	2	---	---	11	137	---	--	45	30	---	24	562
33	G. E. Plott	Winston-Salem, N. C.	Schlatter Memorial	1	22	18	5	---	6	7	3	1	3	---	---	---	1	10	77	---	--	5	4	---	1	281
--	.....	.....	Winston-Salem	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
--	H.A.M. Holshouser, Ph.D.	Winston-Salem, N. C.	Without Charge	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
34	.....	.....	St. Paul's	1	108	70	20	1	---	3	2	---	1	---	2	---	1	8	113	35	--	32	22	10	10	275
35	Harvey A. Fesperman	Newton, N. C., R. 1	Bethel	1	77	60	15	2	1	3	2	---	---	---	1	---	1	8	73	---	1	30	22	10	18	250
36	.....	South Fork Charge	Grace	1	83	60	16	2	---	---	---	---	1	---	---	---	1	8	103	---	--	28	22	10	13	275
37	.....	.....	Daniel's	1	50	35	8	5	---	---	---	---	1	---	---	1	1	5	35	---	--	30	22	10	18	450
38	A. D. Wolfinger, D. D.	Newton, N. C.	First, Greensburg	1	141	110	---	1	5	7	3	1	1	7	---	---	1	22	260	80	--	225	73	26	150	1375
--	H. G. Kopenhaver	Newton, N. C.	Prof. Catawba College	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
39	Albert Klinger	Julian, N. C., R. 1	Mt. Hope	1	150	125	48	4	9	3	---	6	---	90	4	---	1	12	218	---	--	---	---	---	175	450
40	.....	Guilford Charge	Brick	1	75	70	30	3	8	5	1	---	---	30	3	---	1	8	90	---	--	---	---	---	71	300
--	William B. Werner	Crescent, N. C.	Supt. Nazareth O. H.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
41	Roy E. Leinbach	High Point, N. C.	First, High Point	1	144	73	32	2	---	---	5	---	3	---	---	---	1	19	52	77	--	60	45	2	57	1163
42	J. C. Leonard, Supply	Lexington, N. C.	Second, Lexington	1	99	66	14	4	17	19	1	4	1	14	1	---	1	10	224	20	--	42	21	15	44	1619
43	W. W. Rowe, Supply	Hickory, N. C.	Faith, Brookford	1	60	30	27	---	---	3	17	---	10	---	---	---	1	6	106	---	--	25	15	6	15	125
44	Vacant	Burlington, N. C.	Fairview	1	24	24	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	4	---	---	---	---	---	---	--	---	---	---	50	100
45	.....	Burlington Charge	St. Mark's	1	125	115	10	2	---	1	---	---	---	---	---	---	1	8	50	---	--	---	---	---	150	150
46	.....	.....	Burlington	1	170	---	---	4	5	---	---	---	5	---	3	---	1	16	---	---	--	---	---	---	---	---
47	J. D. Andrew, Supply	Maiden, N. C.	Memorial	1	117	55	20	---	---	---	6	---	---	---	1	---	1	8	---	---	--	---	---	---	128	240
48	.....	Lincoln Charge	Salem	1	28	24	8	1	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	--	---	---	---	43	80
49	.....	.....	St. Matthew's	1	123	75	20	7	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	--	---	---	---	72	120
50	Vacant	High Point, N. C.	Bethel, High Point	1	72	40	27	---	---	---	10	1	1	---	---	---	---	---	202	60	--	---	---	---	87	172
51	Vacant	Lexington, N. C., R. 1	Pilgrim	1	219	180	17	4	2	13	3	---	8	---	4	---	1	13	211	14	--	---	---	---	331	412
52	.....	Upper Davidson Charge	Beulah	1	200	150	20	1	4	14	3	4	2	---	---	---	1	11	175	---	3	10	8	---	40	365
53	.....	.....	Bethany	1	70	50	---	---	1	1	---	---	---	---	2	---	1	10	---	---	--	5	5	---	9	200
54	Vacant	Concord, N. C.	New Gilead	---	135	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	--	---	---	---	---	---
55	.....	Gilead Charge	Keller	---	48	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	--	---	---	---	---	---
56	Vacant	Newton, N. C.	Grace, Newton	1	197	140	110	10	---	---	2	---	4	18	1	---	1	13	148	---	2	100	85	44	111	1425
57	Vacant	Blowing Rock, N. C.	Mt. Bethel	1	6	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	--	---	---	---	---	---
58	Vacant	Concord, N. C.	Trinity, Concord	1	107	68	30	3	---	---	---	---	1	---	---	---	1	17	104	36	--	60	42	14	51	418
				56	6166	4409	1606	171	85	227	148	25	111	192	36	28	53	529	5689	632	13	2550	3130	1628	5565	29010

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1	First, Lexington	J. T. Hedrick	Lexington, N. C.	10	10	173	35	$60	$---	$7	$7	$178	$--	$168	$40	$650	$649	$26500	$2500
2	Hedrick's Grove	R. L. Beck	Lexington, N. C.	4	4	30	----	----	----	----	----	----	--	----	----	----	----	400	400
3	Mt. Tabor	A. H. Kepley	Lexington, N. C.	3	3	25	----	----	----	----	----	----	--	----	----	----	----	2000	------
4	Jerusalem	Alex. Hedrick	Lexington, N. C.	2	2	15	----	----	----	----	----	----	--	----	----	----	----	400	------
5	Beck's	Edward Rhoads	Lexington, N. C.	4	4	40	----	----	----	----	----	----	--	----	----	----	----	400	------
6	Emmanuel, Lincolnton	James A. Shuford	Lincolnton, N. C.	3	3	34	----	----	----	----	1	3	--	6	----	18	79	14000	------
7	Mt. Zion	J. P. Linn	Landis, N. C.	4	4	135	30	10	----	----	----	70	--	86	----	104	----	4000	1000
8	St. Paul's	J. F. McKnight	China Grove, N. C.	3	3	12	2	7	----	----	----	20	--	48	----	15	----	2000	------
9	First, Waughtown	J. S. Wear	35 Light st., Winston-Salem	4	4	29	1	----	----	1	1	5	--	6	----	17	----	4000	2000
10	Hebron	C. C. Nifong	R. 4, Winston-Salem	4	4	38	----	----	----	1	1	7	--	30	----	30	----	1200	------
11	Bethlehem	O. H. Bodenheimer	R. 5, Winston-Salem	2	2	15	----	----	----	1	1	3	--	6	----	10	----	900	------
12	Corinth, Hickory	J. W. Warlick	Hickory, N. C.	8	8	150	25	----	----	6	6	88	--	125	----	148	1627	30000	6000
13	First, Charlotte	J. C. Peck	Charlotte, N. C.	3	3	16	9	6	----	1	1	2	--	25	3	4	50	25000	3500
14	First, Albemarle	John M. Peck	Albemarle, N. C.	2	2	9	----	5	----	1	1	2	--	8	----	5	22	4000	------
15	Zion, Lenoir	A. A. Blackwelder	Lenoir, N. C.	4	4	26	8	----	----	2	2	7	--	58	----	24	160	3000	2500
16	Faith, Salisbury	George C. Fisher	Salisbury, N. C.	5	5	29	17	----	----	2	2	30	--	54	----	45	4	6000	2000
17	Emmanuel	H. A. Grimes	Thomasville, N. C.	4	5	72	12	----	----	----	----	----	--	15	----	----	----	1500	------
18	Calvary	B. Black	Thomasville, N. C.	3	2	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	--	----	----	----	40	1800	1800
19	Zion	J. W. Veach	Thomasville, N. C.	4	4	----	4	----	----	----	----	----	--	5	----	----	----	1500	------
20	St. Luke's	Guy A. Trexler	Rockwell, N. C., R. 2	4	2	18	8	5	----	----	----	----	--	23	----	----	92	1100	1600
21	Ursinus	John L. Fisher	Salisbury, N. C.	4	4	31	14	65	----	----	----	----	--	43	----	----	172	600	------
22	Bethany	C. Banks Safrit	Crescent, N. C.	3	3	18	10	8	----	----	----	----	--	28	----	----	159	1100	------
23	Heidelberg, Thomasville	F. M. Hunter	Thomasville, N. C.	5	5	61	13	----	----	2	2	10	--	----	----	35	13	4000	1700
24	Smyrna	B. A. Hildebrand	Catawba, N. C., R. 2	4	4	18	----	----	----	1	----	2	--	----	----	11	20	500	1000
25	Bethany	L. A. Wilson	Claremount, N. C., R. 1	4	2	15	----	----	----	1	----	2	--	----	----	12	25	600	------
26	Trinity	A. L. Shuford	Conover, N. C.	4	4	28	12	----	----	----	2	8	--	60	----	32	225	2000	------
27	St. John's																		
28	St. James'	O. A. Barringer,	Mt. Pleasant, N. C.	4	4	34	13	----	----	2	2	10	--	146	----	35	----	1500	1800
29	Bethel	Jason H. Moose,	Gold Hill, N. C.	4	4	63	6	----	----	2	2	70	--	107	----	50	58	2500	------
30	Boger	P. E. Wilson,	Concord, N. C., R. 4	2	2	24	----	----	----	1	1	5	--	55	----	26	17	1000	------
	Shiloh	John D. A. Fisher	Salisbury, N. C.	3	3	50	15	----	----	2	2	10	--	90	----	35	39	2000	1500

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31	Grace	T. M. Holshouser	Rockwell, N. C.	4	4	61	20	----	----	2	2	12	--	51	----	45	51	3600	400
32	Mt. Hope	G. H. Pless	China Grove, N. C.	4	4	23	6	----	----	1	1	5	--	----	----	20	14	2500	------
33	Schlatter Memorial	E. A. Sink	Winston-Salem, N. C.	1	1	11	1	----	----	1	1	2	--	2	----	8	----	20000	------
34	St. Paul's	J. R. Fulbright	Newton, N. C.	4	4	40	2	----	----	1	1	5	--	10	----	22	----	1400	1000
35	Bethel	Gordon Whitener	Hickory, N. C., R. 1	3	3	34	----	----	----	1	1	5	--	10	----	22	----	1800	------
36	Grace	G. S. Wilfong	Newton, N. C.	4	4	37	2	----	----	1	1	5	--	5	----	22	----	2600	------
37	Daniel's	J. R. Warlick	Reepsville, N. C.	3	3	15	2	----	----	1	1	5	--	10	----	22	----	1400	------
38	First, Greensboro	John F. Troxler	Greensboro, N. C.	5	5	80	8	10	----	2	2	12	--	75	--	43	448	18000	4500
39	Mt. Hope			3	4	82	----	----	----	----	----	----	--	56	----	----	----	3000	2000
40	Brick			6	4	41	----	----	----	----	----	----	--	1	----	----	----	3000	------
41	First, High Point	J. R. Young	High Point, N. C.	6	6	64	15	9	----	2	----	----	--	15	----	37	57	20000	------
42	Second, Lexington	T. A. Swing	Lexington, N. C.	3	3	50	4	3	----	1	1	9	--	35	3	20	50	1700	------
43	Faith, Brookford	Clifford E. Warner	Brookford, N. C.	3	3	26	----	----	----	1	1	4	--	----	----	15	40	900	------
44	Fairview			1	1	8	----	----	----	----	----	----	--	25	----	----	----	2000	------
45	St. Mark's			4	4	40	----	----	----	----	----	----	--	40	----	----	----	600	------
46	Burlington			4	6	86	12	25	----	----	----	----	--	50	----	----	----	3500	3500
47	Memorial	S. M. Finger	Maiden, N. C.	4	4	41	----	----	----	----	----	----	--	20	----	----	----	2000	------
48	Salem	Jacob Ramsauer	Lincolnton, N. C.	3	2	7	----	----	----	----	----	----	--	3	----	----	----	800	2000
49	St. Matthew's	H. J. Crooks	Lincolnton, N. C.	3	3	27	----	----	----	----	----	----	--	----	----	----	----	3000	------
50	Bethel, High Point			--	--	--	--	----	----	----	----	----	--	----	----	----	----	----	------
51	Pilgrim	A. P. Long	Thomasville, N. C.	6	6	50	6	15	----	3	3	15	--	93	61	----	100	3000	3000
52	Beulah	M. L. Sowers	Lexington, N. C.	6	6	40	4	----	----	----	----	----	--	40	----	61	----	2000	------
53	Bethany	W. A. Murphy	Thomasville, N. C.	4	4	31	----	----	----	----	----	----	--	2	----	19	9	2000	------
54	New Gilead			4	4	46	5	----	----	----	----	----	--	36	18	----	----	1700	800
55	Keller			2	2	17	4	----	----	----	----	----	--	5	3	----	----	600	------
56	Grace, Newton	J. B. Leonard	Newton, N. C.	8	8	80	32	----	----	4	4	36	--	32	----	69	175	7500	2500
57	Mt. Bethel			--	--	--	--	----	----	----	----	----	--	----	----	----	----	----	------
58	Trinity, Concord	J. H. A. Holshouser	Concord, N. C.	3	3	40	10	----	----	2	2	10	--	----	----	51	102	4500	2500
				216	214	2322	367	228		56	55	647		1808	128	1792	4497	258600	51500

STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES, 1916-1917.

SYNODS	Ministers	Licentiates	Congregations	Members			Additions					Losses				Sunday School			Members Young People's Societies	Students for Ministry	Contributions	
				Communicants	Communed	Unconfirmed	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confirmed	By Certificate	Renewals	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths Communicants	Deaths Unconfirmed	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars, Home Department and Cradle Roll, inc.			Benevolence	Congregational Purposes
Eastern	358	13	564	137.939	107,143	62.758	5.576	604	4,885	2,155	1.684	2,085	2,793	2,317	758	625	12 940	142 869	18 598	93	$285,624 74	$947,182 23
Ohio	156	1	220	31.954	25,705	6,752	698	960	960	824	452	788	1,056	486	120	202	3,710	34,353	4,689	18	80,176 00	241,240 00
Northwest	155	--	225	19,451	13,079	10 833	1,083	22	749	184	547	286	334	234	82	202	1,218	9,959	1,243	30	35,996 84	46,532 05
Pittsburgh	110	1	165	26,078	21.973	11,786	1.354	214	954	538	312	523	648	368	174	159	2,406	26,268	2,078	11	78.477 44	244,529 11
Potomac	192	6	325	51.304	41 153	20,036	1.728	410	1,834	1,071	353	922	869	666	186	305	4,905	50,229	6,002	48	130.832 62	309,531 13
German of East	71	1	61	19 233	14.899	8.550	1,204	38	832	94	585	113	741	378	145	58	1.190	14 241	2 922	12	18,422 00	169,175 00
Central	97	--	105	25 844	17,549	10,499	988	161	897	264	488	279	465	378	153	100	1,289	21,278	2,095	24	40,650 00	179,564 00
Interior	46	--	58	4,641	3,680	1.426	199	130	196	135	77	162	234	51	21	52	699	16.081	984	6	22 443 34	49,771 01
Southwest	57	--	63	11,066	7,875	5,014	526	86	424	64	209	84	178	175	69	61	801	7,785	1 370	15	20.169 00	99,062 00
Total	1246	24	1785	327,508	252,876	137,654	13,540	2625	11,731	5 329	4,364	5,242	7 318	5,053	1708	1764	28,258	323,063	39,989	252	706,411 98	2,386,589 53

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MINUTES

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EIGHTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSIONS

IN

CORINTH REFORMED CHURCH

Hickory, North Carolina

MAY 5–7, A. D. 1919

Special Meetings of the Classical Year 1918-1919

READING, PA.:
I. M. BEAVER, PRINTER.
1919.

LEMMATA.

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Art. IV.—Permanent Committees.
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Art. XXV.—Necrology.
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Art. XXVII.—Resumption and Close.
Art. XXVIII.—Adjournment.

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, JUNE 22, 1918.

The Executive Committee met in harmony with the following call:

LEXINGTON, June 8, 1918.

Dear Brother:—You are hereby officially notified that the Executive Committee of the Classis of North Carolina will meet in the First Reformed parsonage, Lexington, June 22, 1918, at 10 o'clock a. m., to attend to the following items: 1. Reception of Rev. Frank R. Lefever from Lebanon Classis, Eastern Synod. 2. Call to Rev. F. R. Lefever from the First Church of Greensboro. 3. Election of a member of Synod's Board of Ministerial Sustentation. Please notify your elder.

By order of the President.
J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

The action follows:

1. Rev. Frank R. Lefever was received from Lebanon Classis, Eastern Synod.

2. The call to Rev. F. R. Lefever from the First Church of Greensboro was found in order and confirmed. The following committee was appointed to install him pastor: Revs. A. Klinger, R. E. Leinbach and G. E. Plott.

3. Rev. C. C. Wagoner was elected a member of Synod's Board of Ministerial Sustentation.

The expenses of the meeting amounted to $1.50.

J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, JULY 26, 1918.

The Executive Committee of the Classis of North Carolina met in harmony with the following call:

LEXINGTON, N. C., July 12, 1918.

Dear Brother:—The Executive Committee of the Classis of North Carolina will meet in the First Reformed parsonage, Lexington, July 26, 1918, at 10 o'clock a. m., to consider the following: 1. Report of the Commission on Reconstruction of the Burlington and Guilford Charges. 2. Reports of any Installation Committees. Please notify your elder.

By order of the President.

J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

The items were disposed of in the following action:

1. The following report was received and adopted:

Your Commission on Reconstruction in the Burlington and Guilford Charges beg leave to report that we have attended to the duties imposed, the Classis having given power to act. The Commission visited the consistories of all the churches involved, and also the joint consistories of the two charges. The action of the several consistories was favorable to detaching St. Mark's and Fairview Churches from the Burlington Charge and incorporating them with the Guilford Charge, and of requesting the Board of Home Missions to place the Burlington Church on the roll of missions. At the meeting of the Board of Missions in July in Philadelphia our Chairman presented the action of the consistories, and the Board acted favorably. Accordingly the charges were reconstructed as above suggested, the new arangement to go into effect July 1, 1918.

We suggest that the Classis pay half the expenses of the Chairman involved in going before the Board of Missions, the same being $15.65.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. Leonard,
John W. Hedrick,
J. T. Plott.

2. The following reports were received and adopted:

(a) Your committee appointed to install Rev. L A. Peeler pastor of Grace Reformed Church, Newton, beg leave to report that the service was held the morning of May 12, 1918. The sermon was preached by Dr. A. D. Wolfinger, Elder A. A. Blackwelder delivered the charge to the congregation and Rev. H. G. Kopenhaver conducted the installation services.

Respectfully submitted,

H. G. Kopenhaver,
A. D. Wolfinger,
A. A. Blackwelder.

(b) Your committee appointed to install Rev. Frank R. Lefever pastor of the First Church, Greensboro, report the duty attended to July 14, 1918, Revs. R. E. Leinbach and A. Klinger being present.

Respectfully submitted,

A. Klinger, *Chairman.*

(c) Your committee appointed to install Rev. J. D. Andrew pastor of the Upper Davidson Charge beg leave to report that we attended to the duty June 23, 1918, Revs. J. C. Leonard and J. A. Palmer being present.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. Leonard, *Chairman.*

The expenses of the meeting amounted to $1.50.

J. C. Leonard, *Stated Clerk.*

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, OCT. 22, 1918.

A call for a special meeting of Classis was issued as follows:

LEXINGTON, N. C., Oct. 7, 1918.

Dear Brother:—You are hereby notified that there will be a special meeting of the Classis of North Carolina in Faith Reformed Church, Salisbury, N. C., October 22, 1918, at 10 o'clock a. m., to attend to the following items: 1. To hear a report of the Missionary and Stewardship Committee. 2. Report of the Committee on the Albemarle property. 3. To receive Rev. Samuel J. Kirk from Virginia Classis. 4. Call to Rev. S. J. Kirk from the Burlington Church. 5. Reports from any Installation Committees. Please notify your elder.

By order of the President.

J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

On the 16th of October the following notice was sent out:

Dear Brother:—On account of quarantine regulations the meeting of North Carolina Classis called for October 22, 1918, is hereby postponed indefinitely. The Executive Committee will meet at the First Church parsonage in Lexington on the same day at 10 o'clock a. m. to act on Items 3, 4 and 5 of the call. Please notify your elder.

By order of the President.

J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

In harmony with the above the following was the action of the Executive Committee:

3. Rev. Samuel J. Kirk, of the Virginia Classis, Synod of the Potomac, was received and his name placed on the roll of ministers.

4. The call to Rev. S. J. Kirk from the Burlington Church being found in order was confirmed, and the following committee was appointed to install him pastor: Revs. F. R. Lefever, A. Klinger and Elder J. T. Plott.

5. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis:

Your committee appointed to install Rev. J. C. Peeler pastor of the Lower Davidson Charge beg leave to report the duty attended to at Beck's Church, September 22, 1918, all the members of the committee being present and taking part. Rev. H. A. Fesperman was also present as a visiting brother.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. LEONARD,
J. M. L. LYERLY,
J. D. ANDREW.

The expenses occasioned by these calls amounted to $3.45.

J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

MEETING OF CLASSIS, JANUARY 7, 1919.

The Classis of North Carolina met in obedience to the following call:

LEXINGTON, N. C., December 16, 1918.

Dear Brother:—There will be a special meeting of the Classis of North Carolina in Faith Reformed Church, Salisbury, January 7, 1919, at 10 o'clock a. m., to consider the following: 1. Resignation of Rev. J. A. Koons as pastor of the Rock-

well Charge and circumstances connected therewith. 2. Report of the Missionary and Stewardship Committee. Consistories are requested and urged to send one or more representatives in addition to the regular delegate to take part in the conference in the consideration of this report. Dr. Wm. E. Lampe, of Philadelphia, will address the meeting. Please notify your elder.

By order of the President.

J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

The following members of Classis were present: Revs. J. C. Leonard, J. D. Andrew, W. H. McNairy, D. E. Bowers, S. Peeler, L. A. Peeler, C. C. Wagoner, J. A. Koons, J. A. Palmer, W. C. Lyerly, G. E. Plott, R. E Leinbach, F. R. Lefever, S. J. Kirk, Elders J. P. Linn, J. L. C. Miller, E. A. Rothrock, G. W. Leonard, J. J. Correll, J. Wesley Hedrick, K. L. Long, Z. B. Morris, L. L. Nifong, G. D. Peeler.

The following were present as representatives of churches of Classis: C. C. Deal, J. L. Fleming, J. E. Holshouser, J. W. Lyerly, Wm. McCombs, A. T. Delap, H. H. Koonts, J. R. Fisher, D. T. Peeler, M. T. Roseman, R. T. Lippard, G. A. Trexler, L. A. Holshouser, J. D. A. Fisher, M. Holshouser, G. C. Fisher, A. A. Michael, J. W. Peeler, E. Whitener, J. N. Fleming.

Rev. Wm. E. Lampe, Ph. D., of the Maryland Classis, Synretary of the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee of General Synod, was invited to a seat as an advisory member.

In the absence of both President and Vice President, the Stated Clerk called Classis to order and nominated Rev. J. D. Andrew as President pro tem., and he was so chosen.

The items of the call were disposed of in the following action:

1. At the request of the pastor and the joint consistory of the Rockwell Charge the pastoral relationship between Rev. J. A. Koons and said charge was dissolved and the charge declared vacant.

Revs. C. C. Wagoner, H. A. Welker and J. M. L. Lyerly were appointed a Committee of Supply for the Rockwell Charge.

In connection with this item Rev. J. A. Koons was requested to make a statement to Classis as to the circumstances leading to his resignation. This he did, making humble confession of a sad incident in his personal life. The Classis took the following action:

WHEREAS, Rev. John A. Koons makes full and formal confession of a serious lapse, thereby making it incumbent upon the Classis of North Carolina to deal with him in harmony with Article 150 of the Constitution of the Reformed Church in the United States,

Resolved, That it is with deep sorrow and profound regret that this sad intelligence comes officially before this ecclesiastical body. The gospel ministry is such a holy calling that those who are ordained to preach the Word must live blameless lives, far above reproach. In the Old Testament (Lev. 21: 6) the requirement is made: "They shall be holy unto their God, and not profane the name of their God: for the offerings of the Lord made by fire, and the bread of their God, they do offer; therefore they shall be holy." In the New Testament (Rom. 2: 21) the solemn questions are asked: "Thou therefore which teachest another, teachest not thou thyself? thou that preachest a man should not steal, dost thou steal? Thou that sayest a man should not commit adultery,

dost thou commit adultery? thou that abhorrest idols, dost thou commit sacrilege? Thou that makest thy boast of the law, through breaking the law dishonorest thou God?'' St. Paul said (1 Cor. 9: 27): ''I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection; lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway.''

Resolved, That Classis meets out to our penitent brother, John A. Koons, punishment in this public admonition in harmony with Article 125 of the Constitution. At the same time we acknowledge his heart-broken confession and join with him in humbly praying that his sin may be blotted out of the book of remembrance on high. It is also our desire and hope that his future conduct may be such as to claim the confidence and fidelity of those among whom he may be called to labor.

2. The following report was received and adopted:

1. We recommend the appointment of an auxiliary committee in each district of the Classis who shall labor under the direction of and in connection with the Classical Missionary and Stewardship Committee. The duties of this committee shall be: (a) To arrange for the presentation of the missionary interest to every congregation and the holding of conferences with every consistory and congregational Missionary and Stewardship Committee to plan for the raising of the full apportionment this year. (b) Render any necessary assistance in the actual raising of the apportionment. (c) Encourage the inauguration of a systematic Every-Member Canvass and the adoption of the weekly duplex system in every congregation at the beginning of their church year. (d) The directing of the follow-up system in every congregation and the sending of a monthly quota of the apportionment to the Classical Treasurer. (e) All other Missionary and Stewardship activities that may need their help.

2. We recommend that the following constitute the committees: Eastern district, Rev. R. E. Leinbach, J. T. Hedrick, J. T. Plott; Central district, Rev. H. A. Welker, J. P. Linn, J. W. Peeler; Western district, Rev. L. A. Peeler, A. A. Blackwelder, C. H. Geitner.

3. We recommend that every congregation be urged to appoint a Missionary and Stewardship Committee. The names of the committee shall be forwarded to the Chairman of the district auxiliary committee and to the Chairman of the Classical Missionary and Stewardship Committee. The duties of this committee shall be: (a) It shall constantly keep the missionary and benevolent objects of the denomination before the congregation. (b) It shall encourage tithing. (c) It shall distribute literature and arrange for any necessary and helpful educational and inspirational campaigns preliminary to the Every-Member Canvass. (d) It shall arrange for and direct the annual **Every-Member Canvass,** especially as it relates to benevolent monies. (e) It shall do its utmost to send monthly quota of full apportionment to the Classical Treasurer and shall conduct follow-up campaigns at the end of each quarter.

4. We recommend that the Classis urge every congregation to conduct the Every-Member Canvass and to use the duplex envelope system for the raising of all monies.

5. We recommend that Classis enter into a great campaign in the immediate future, the goal of which shall be the raising of the full apportionment for this Classical year. This campaign shall be under the direction of the Classical Missionary and Stewardship Committee, with each district auxiliary committee co-operating. We request that the general subject of giving and tithing be presented to every congregation and consistory, and that pledges be secured to cover full apportionment.

6. We report an expense item of $6.69. We recommend the payment of the same, and that the Treasurer of Classis be authorized to pay the items of expense of said committee when presented. Respectfully submitted,

L. A. Peeler,
R. E. Leinbach.
H. A. Welker.

In the consideration of this report Dr. Wm. E. Lampe delivered an address. He also entered into details concerning the work of securing our benevolent funds.

An expense item of $1.75 was ordered paid.

The Minutes were read and approved, and Classis adjourned with the Benediction by Rev. J. D. Andrew.

J. D. Andrew, *President pro tem.*
J. C. Leonard, *Stated Clerk.*

SPECIAL MEETING, JANUARY 31, 1919.

The Classis of North Carolina met in harmony with the following call:

Lexington, N. C., January 16, 1919.

Dear Brother:—There will be a special meeting of the Classis of North Carolina in Bethel Reformed Church, High Point, January 31, 1919, at 2 o'clock p. m., to consider the following: 1. Recommendation of the Solliday Beneficiary Education Committee for the reception of Students Charlie Edward Hiatt, Hoy Lee Fesperman and Sidney Clarence Safrit under the care of Classis as students for the gospel ministry. 2.

Report of the Committee of Supply for Bethel Church, High Point, and circumstances connected therewith. 3. Report of the Committee on the Kannapolis Interest. Please notify your elder. By order of the President.

J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

Rev. D. C. Cox was elected President pro tem., and conducted the devotional services, prayer being offered by Rev. W. C. Lyerly.

The following members were present: Revs. D. C. Cox, G. E. Plott, D. E. Bowers, J. A. Palmer, W. C. Lyerly, C. C. Wagoner, F. R. Lefever, S. Peeler, R. E. Leinbach, J. C. Leonard, Elders E. A. Rothrock, K. L. Long, J. P. Linn, L. L. Nifong, J. T. Plott, Jno. W. Hedrick. Elders W. L. B. Sink and G. Y. Stone, of Bethel Church, were addmitted to seats as advisory members.

The items were disposed of in the following action:

1. The young men named were received under the care of Classis as students for the gospel ministry.

2. Rev. R. E. Leinbach made a statement of the present condition of the Bethel Church and requested that members of the congregation present be allowed to address the Classis. A conference was accordingly held between members of the said congregation and the Classis, at the close of which the following action was taken:

Resolved, That Bethel Church, High Point, be retained and fostered by Classis as a mission.

Resolved, That Bethel Church be designated "The Sunday School Mission of the Classis of North Carolina," and that Classis sponsor the financing of the church, the congregation itself being required to raise the sum of $300 the first year towards pastoral support, while the Classis pledges $900.

Resolved, That a quota of 15 cents per Sunday School member be referred to the several Sunday Schools to be raised for this purpose.

Resolved, That Revs. R. E. Leinbach, D. E. Bowers, G. E. Plott and J. A. Palmer be appointed a Committee of Supply for Bethel Church, with instructions to provide the church with services and to assist in securing a pastor.

3. The Committee on the Kannapolis Work reported progress in their work and asked for further instructions. Classis took the following action:

WHEREAS, St. Paul's Church expresses unwillingness to be detached from the West Rowan Charge without assurances of other satisfactory arrangement, and

WHEREAS, Thirty-seven members of the Reformed Church petition Classis for an organization at Kannapolis,

Resolved, That the committee be continued, Rev. S. Peeler being added, with instructions to foster the work at Kannapolis and to confer with the several consistories of the churches in that section in order to ascertain whether by a re-grouping of churches a way may be found to care for the Kannapolis interest.

Resolved, That the committee be further instructed to confer with the Board of Missions in the hope of securing the enrollment of Kannapolis in connection with one or more adjacent churches.

The Treasurer was instructed to pay $2.50 expenses of the meeting.

The Minutes were read and approved and the Classis adjourned.

D. C. COX, *President pro tem.,*
J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, MAY 1, 1919.

The Executive Committee of Classis met in harmony with the following call:

LEXINGTON, N. C., April 17, 1919.

Dear Brother:—The Executive Committee of the Classis of North Carolina will meet in the First Reformed Church, Lexington, May 1, 1919, at 10 o'clock a. m., to consider the request of Student Jacob N. Lyerly to be dismissed to the Classis of Iowa, Synod of the Interior. Please notify your elder.

By order of the President.

J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

The request was read and considered and Student Jacob N. Lyerly was dismissed to the Classis of Iowa, Synod of the Interior.

J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

EIGHTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSIONS.

ACTS AND PROCEEDINGS

of the

CLASSIS OF NORTH CAROLINA

of the

REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES.

ARTICLE I.

OPENING OF CLASSIS.

The Classis of North Carolina, Synod of the Potomac, Reformed Church in the United States, met in eighty-ninth annual sessions in Corinth Reformed Church, Hickory, North Carolina, Monday evening, May 5, A. D. 1919, at 8 o'clock. The sermon was preached by Rev. A. S. Peeler, Vice President of Classis, from Ps. 119: 130—"The entrance of thy words giveth light." He was assisted in the services by Revs. J. M. L. Lyerly, H. A. Welker and W. C. Lyerly. Following the sermon the Holy Communion was celebrated. The officiating ministers were Revs. A. D. Wolfinger and F. R. Lefever.

The Classis was then formally constituted by the President, Rev. J. H. Keller. The roll was called by the Stated Clerk, and a quorum was found present.

ARTICLE II.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

Ministers—J. C. Leonard, J. M. L. Lyerly, J. D. Andrew, J. H. Shuford, W. H. McNairy, J. H. Keller, D. E. Bowers,

W. W. Rowe, S. Peeler, L. A. Peeler, A. S. Peeler, C. C. Wagoner, D. C. Cox, J. A. Palmer, W. C. Lyerly, H. A. Welker, G. E. Plott, H. A. Fesperman, A. D. Wolfinger, H. G. Kopenhaver, A. Klinger, W. B. Werner, F. R. Lefever, S. J. Kirk.

Eiders—C. C. Bost, Corinth, Hickory; Edward Clapp, Guilford; W. C. Rose, West Rowan; M. G. Lentz, Bear Creek; H. D. Warlick, South Fork; J. E. Misenheimer, Gilead; A. T. Delap, First, Lexington; T. A. Swing, Second, Lexington; J. W. Younts, Lower Davidson; Edgar Whitener, First, High Point; C. L. Kennedy, Bethel, High Point; R. P. Murphy, Heidelberg, Thomasville; J. W. Bowers, Emanuel; J. W. Kline, Trinity, Concord; J. T. Plott, First, Greensboro; Otis White, Burlington; K. A. Link, Zion, Lenoir; J. M. Holshouser, Rockwell; G. H. Pless, Faith.

The following appeared at later sessions:

Tuesday morning—Rev. J. A. Koons; Elder J. D. Holshouser, Faith, Salisbury.

Tuesday afternoon—Rev. A. R. Holshouser; Elder Dr. P. J. Klutz, Lincoln; E. A. Sink, Winston-Salem.

Wednesday morning—Revs. P. Barringer, J. C. Peeler; T. L. Hunsucker, Catawba; S. R. Warlick, Emanuel, Lincolnton.

Advisory members—Rev. J. M. Mullan, Maryland Classis, Potomac Synod, Superintendent of Home Missions; Rev. J. G. Rupp, East Pennsylvania Classis, Eastern Synod, Field Secretary Board of Foreign Missions; Rev. J. I. Good, D. D., LL. D., President of the Board of Foreign Missions. Elders G. H. Geitner, C. H. Geitner, J. C. Fry, C. M. Shuford, R. H. Thomason, J. W. Warlick, C. A. Davis, J. A. Propst, A. L. Shuford, A. A. Blackwelder, J. R. Warlick, D. C. Warlick, T. W. S. Grimes.

Students for the ministry—F. B. Peck, B. J. Peeler.

Visiting brethren—Rev. C. R. W. Kegley, Rev. W. H. Little, both of the Lutheran Church.

Revs. H. E. Sechler and E. G. Williams were absent without reporting.

The following charges were not represented by elders: Grace, Newton; Upper Davidson; Brookford; Waughtown; First, Charlotte; Mt. Bethel.

The Corresponding Secretary was instructed to notify any minister who has failed to report to Classis in three years.

ROLL OF ELDERS.

Charges	Primarius	Secundus
Corinth, Hickory	C. C. Bost	G. H. Geitner
Guilford	R. B. Andrew	Edward Clapp
West Rowan	W. C. Rose	H. A. Yost
Bear Creek	M. G. Lentz	W. A. Lyerly
South Fork	H. D. Warlick	J. R. Warlick
Lincoln	Dr. P. J. Klutz	Lee Whitener
Grace, Newton	J. W. Hardister	W. P. Bost
Gilead	J. E. Misenheimer	I. O. Cook
First, Lexington	A. T. Delap	C. C. Burkhart
Second, Lexington	T. A. Swing	G. W. Leonard
Faith, Salisbury	J. D. Holshouser	J. W. Correll
Lower Davidson	J. W. Younts	J. A. Tussey
Upper Davidson	P. A. Livingood	J. M. Nifong
First, High Point	Edgar Whitener	Jno. W. Hedrick
Bethel, High Ponit	C. L. Kennedy	W. L. B. Sink
Heidelberg, Thomasville	R. P. Murphy	W. G. Hinkle
Emanuel	J. W. Bowers	T. W. S. Grimes
Trinity, Concord	J. W. Cline	J. O. Moose
First, Greensboro	J. T. Plott	C. A. Davis
Burlington	Otis White	William Andrews
Zion, Lenoir	K. A. Link	J. P. Rabb
Brookford	Y. T. Warren	G. W. Sigmon
Waughtown	M. C. Bodenhamer	J. S. Wear
Rockwell	J. M. Holshouser	J. L. Fisher
Emanuel, Lincolnton	E. C. Shuford	S. R. Warlick
Winston-Salem	W. O. Koonts	E. A. Sink
First, Charlotte	C. H. A. Rupp	J. C. Peck
Mt. Bethel		
Faith	W. M. Rodgers	G. H. Pless
Catawba	R. A. Arndt	T. L. Hunsucker

ARTICLE III.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The following were elected officers for the next Classical year: Rev. A. S. Peeler, Lenoir, N. C., President; Elder C. C. Bost, Hickory, N. C., Vice President; Rev. H. A. Welker, Salisbury, N. C., Corresponding Secretary; Rev. G. E. Plott, Winston-Salem, N. C., Reading Clerk; Rev. D. E. Bowers, Winston-Salem, N. C., Treasurer; Rev. J. C. Leonard, D. D., Lexington, N. C., continues Stated Clerk.

ARTICLE IV.

PERMANENT COMMITTEES.

1. *Executive Committee*—Revs. A. S. Peeler, J. C. Leonard, Elder A. T. Delap.

2. *Sunday Schools*—Revs. W. C. Lyerly, H. A. Fesperman, Elder K. L. Long.

3. *Missionary and Stewardship*—Elder J. O. Moose, three years; Rev. L. A. Peeler, two years; Rev. R. E. Leinbach, one year.

4. *Mrs. Rebecca Solliday Church-building Fund*—Rev. H. A. Fesperman, three years; Elder J. B. Leonard, two years; Rev. J. M. L. Lyerly, one year.

5. *George G. Solliday Beneficiary Education Fund*—Revs. W. W. Rowe, A. D. Wolfinger, Elder J. B. Leonard.

6. *Trustees of Classis* — Rev. W. W. Rowe, Elder J. A. Propst, Elder T. L. Hunsucker.

ARTICLE V.

RULES OF ORDER.

The Rules of Order adopted by the General Synod were observed in the sessions of Classis. The President defined the Bar of the House to be the first five rows of pews in front of the chancel. The following hours were fixed for opening and closing: Meet at 9.00 o'clock a. m. and adjourn at 5 p. m., with a recess from 11.30 a. m. to 1.30 p. m.

ARTICLE VI.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The President appointed the following Standing Committees:

1. *Religious Services*—Revs. J. H. Shuford, W. W. Rowe, Elder C. C. Bost.

2. *Minutes of Classis*—Revs. J. C. Leonard, A. Klinger, Elder Edward Clapp.

3. *Minutes of Potomac Synod*—Revs. G. E. Plott, W. H. McNairy, Elder M. G. Lentz.

4. *Overtures*—Revs. S. Peeler, D. C. Cox, Elder H. D. Warlick.

5. *Missions*—Revs. H. A. Fesperman, S. J. Kirk, Elder J. M. Holshouser.

6. *Benevolent Institutions*—Revs. L. A. Peeler, F. R. Lefever, Elder K. A. Link.

7. *Education*—Revs. J. A. Palmer, H. A. Fesperman, Elder J. E. Misenheimer.

8. *State of the Church*—Revs. J. H. Keller, W. C. Lyerly, Elder Edgar Whitener.

9. *Nominations*—Revs. C. C. Wagoner, G. E. Plott, Elder T. A. Swing.

10. *Finance*—Revs. D. E. Bowers, J. C. Peeler, Elder A. T. Delap.

11. *Examination and Licensure*—Revs. J. D. Andrew, W. H. McNairy, Elder W. C. Rose.

12. *Young People's Societies*—Revs. J. M. L. Lyerly, J. A. Palmer, Elder J. W. Younts.

13. *Press*—Revs. C. C. Wagoner, W. W. Rowe, Elder J. W. Bowers.

14. *Leave of Absence*—Revs. D. C. Cox, L. A. Peeler, Elder J. W. Cline.

15. *Minutes of General Synod*—Revs. W. W. Rowe, S. Peeler, Elder R. P. Murphy.

16. *Necrology*—Revs. S. J. Kirk, L. A. Peeler, Elder J. T. Plott.

ARTICLE VII.

COMMUNICATIONS.

1. Copies of the Minutes of Classis and of the Synod of the Potomac were referred to the committees on these subjects.

2. The Treasurer's report was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

3. The report of the Trustees of Catawba College was read and referred to the Committee on Education.

4 Reports from the Boards of Missions were referred to the Committee on Missions.

5. Reports of the Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home, the Relief Societies and the Sunday School Board were read and referred to the proper committees.

6. Other communications were received and referred to the Committee on Overtures.

ARTICLE VIII.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

The sessions of each day were opened and closed with devotional services. The Standing Committee on this subject presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Religious Services beg leave to make the following report:

Monday, 8.00 p. m., May 5, 1919—Rev. J. M. L. Lyerly, Ph. D., presiding. Devotional services conducted by Revs. H. A. Welker and W. C. Lyerly. Sermon, Rev. A. S. Peeler, Vice President of Classis. Communion service, Rev. A. D. Wolfinger, D. D., assisted by Rev. F. R. Lefever. Organization of Classis.

Tuesday, 8.00 p. m., May 6, 1919—Rev. W. H. McNairy presiding. Devotional services conducted by Revs. J. A. Palmer, C. C. Wagoner and G. E. Plott. Address, "Home Missions," Rev. J. M. Mullan.

Wednesday, 8.00 p. m., May 7, 1919 — Rev. J. D. Andrew presiding. Devotional services conducted by Revs. J. C. Peeler and H. A. Fesperman. Ad-

dress by Dr. James I. Good, President of Foreign Mission Board. Ordination of Revs. Sterling W. Whitener and Frank L. Fesperman as missionaries to Japan and China; Dr. J. C. Leonard, Chairman of Ordination Committee. Business session and close. Respectfully submitted,

J. H. Shuford,
W. W. Rowe,
C. C. Bost.

ARTICLE IX.

READING OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

The roll was called and all the ministers of Classis presented reports except Revs. H. E. Sechler and E. G. Williams. The constitutional questions were asked, and the elders gave satisfactory answers. The reports were referred to the Committee on the State of the Church.

ARTICLE X.

MINUTES OF CLASSIS.

The committee presented the following report, which was acted upon item by item and finally adopted as a whole as indicated:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on the Minutes of Classis beg leave to present the following report:

1. Page 22. Permanent Committees; (a) Executive Committee, (b) Sunday Schools, (c) Missionary and Stewardship,

(d) Mrs. Rebecca Solliday Church-building Fund, (e) Geo. G. Solliday Beneficiary Education Fund, (f) Trustees of Classis.

2. Page 33. Rev. J. A. Palmer was appointed Superintendent of Young People's Work.

3. Page 34. Rev. J. A. Koons was appointed Superintendent of Teacher Training.

4. Page 34. Rev. A. D. Wolfinger is Chairman of the Committee on Schools, Colleges and Seminaries.

5. Page 35. Revs. H. G. Kopenhaver, W. H. McNairy and H. A. Fesperman were made a Committee of Supply for the Lincoln Charge.

6. Page 35. The interest at Hopewell, Forsyth county, was committed to Rev. G. E. Plott.

7. Page 35. The Second Church, Lexington, was committed to the care of Rev. J. C. Leonard.

8. Page 35. The Brookford Church was committed to Rev. W. W. Rowe.

9. Page 41. Rev. L. A. Peeler and Elders J. W. Peeler and J. L. C. Miller were appointed to dispose of the Albemarle church property and to properly dismiss the members of the same.

10. Page 41. Revs. J. A. Koons, W. W. Rowe and J. C. Peeler weee appointed a committee to co-operate with the National Service Commission.

11. Page 41. Rev. L. A. Peeler and Elders A. L. Shuford and A. A. Blackwelder were appointed a Committee on Summer Conference.

12. Page 41. Revs. J. D. Andrew, J. A. Palmer and Elder John P. Long were appointed to arrange for a service memo-

rial of the late Rev. J. L. Murphy at Bethany Church, Davidson county.

13. Page 41. Revs. P. Barringer, S. Peeler and J. H. Keller were appointed to install Rev. W. C. Lyerly pastor of Trinity Church, Concord.

14. Page 41. The Gilead Charge was committed to Rev. W. C. Lyerly.

15. Page 47. Rev. J. H. Keller was instructed to organize a congregation at Landis.

16. Page 47. Revs. A. D. Wolfinger, L. A. Peeler and Elder A. A. Blackwelder were appointed to co-operate with the Catawba Charge in securing a pastor.

17. Page 48. Rev. W. H. McNairy was elected Business Manager of the *Reformed Church Standard.*

18. Page 73. Rev. C. C. Wagoner was appointed Mediary between our theological students and vacant charges.

19. Special. Revs. F. R. Lefever, A. Klinger and Elder J. T. Plott were appointed to install Rev. S. J. Kirk pastor of the Burlington Church.

20. Special. Revs. C. C. Wagoner, H. A. Welker and J. M. L. Lyerly were appointed a Committee of Supply for the Rockwell Charge.

21. Special. Revs. R. E. Leinbach, D. E. Bowers, G. E. Plott and J. A. Palmer were appointed a Committee of Supply for Bethel Church, High Point.

22. Special. Revs. P. Barringer, W. C. Lyerly, S. Peeler and Elder J. P. Linn were instructed to foster the interest at Kannapolis, and to confer with the several consistories of the churches in that section so as to ascertain whether by a regrouping of churches a way may be found to care for the

Kannapolis interest, and further to take up the matter with the Board of Missions. Respectfully submitted,

J. C. Leonard,
A. Klinger,
Edward Clapp.

1. The following reports were received and adopted:

(a) *To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina*:

The Executive Committee beg leave to report that such meetings were held during the year as were asked for. The Minutes of these meetings are presented herewith. The Treasurer of Classis paid the expenses.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. Leonard, *Stated Clerk.*

The President, Stated Clerk and Elder A. T. Delap were constituted the Executive Committee.

(b) *To the Classis*:

Your Committee on Sunday Schools submit the following report and recommendations:

Reports have been received from all the schools for the year. The reports indicate that the schools are about the same as last year. The total enrollment is a little larger. The average attendance is less than last year. This may be accounted for on account of epidemic that has partly paralyzed the whole educational system. There is an increase in the number of organized classes. No report was made as to the number using Graded Lessons.

The contributions for benevolences and support of schools show some increase. The contribution for General Synod's work is almost nothing, $64. Next year we can report a large sum for Home Missions, because we are going to make Bethel

High Point, our Sunday School Mission. Let us not forget Foreign Missions nor General Synod's Board.

Teacher Training reports only 5 classes and 40 pupils.

We recommend:

1. That all schools use our Reformed literature.

2. That all schools through their Superintendents and Secretaries make known their needs to our Publication and Sunday School Board. The Board can furnish supplies for our every need.

3. That every school in Classis send an offering to the Sunday School Board. This offering can be received at Children's Day service, and if such service can be held a special offering should be received. The Board needs $20,000 for general S. S. work.

4. That the schools of our Classis emphasize the school in our Sunday Schools and if possible reach a higher average attendance, making 70 per cent. the minimum.

5. That the weekly church paper be placed in as many homes as possible. The pastor and Superintendent can plan such a program for their church.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. Lyerly,
H. A. Fesperman.

The committee was continued. The statistics will be found in the appendix.

(c) *To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina*:

The Missionary and Stewardship Committee offers the following report:

We have kept the Missionary and Stewardship interests before the Church through the columns of the *Standard* and

by personal correspondence. We have printed quarterly reports of all monies received and the amount of the apportionment of each charge with a view of arousing the interest of the people to raise the full apportionment.

The Chairman attended a conference of all Classical Chairmen together with the Missionary and Stewardship Committee of General Synod in Lancaster, Sept. 10-12. It was a helpful conference. Certain recommendations were brought to our Classical Committee in a meeting that was held Sept. 23. It was decided to call a special meeting of Classis to consider the Missionary and Stewardship interest and certain recommendations were formulated to present to said meeting. The proposed special meeting of Classis was delayed for several months on account of the influenza epidemic, but was finally held Jan. 7. Dr. W. E. Lampe, Chairman of the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee of General Synod, was present and gave much helpful advice and inspiration. The whole subject of apportionment and stewardship was duly considered. An Auxiliary Committee for each district of Classis was appointed to assist in carrying out the program outlined at that meeting. For reasons unavoidable by your Classical Committee this program was not carried out as fully as we had hoped, but some good work was done, and there is an enlarged interest in this subject throughout the Classis. The Classis raised $9314.72 on apportionment this year as over against $7389.70 last year. An Every-Member Canvass was made in 44 congregations during the year and 29 congregations use the Duplex envelope system, and 15 congregations use single envelopes, either weekly, bi-weekly or monthly. Fourteen congegations do not use either form of the envelope system.

Hickory, Lenoir, Newton, Salem, Lincoln Charge, Lincolnton, South Fork Charge, Charlotte, Concord, St. James', Mt.

Pleasant, Shiloh, Faith, Salisbury, Schlatter Memorial, Heidelberg and Greensboro paid their apportionment in full.

While these things should encourage us, yet we only raised 60 per cent. of our apportionment for the whole Classis. This percentage shows that there is much to be done along the lines of the work of your committee.

That larger things may be done during the coming year, we recommend the following:

1. That "The Fellowship of Stewardship" be promoted throughout the Classis. The principles of this "Fellowship" are: (1) God is the owner of all things. (2) Man is a steward and must give account of all that is entrusted to him. (3) God's ownership and man's stewardship are to be acknowledged by the setting apart of at least one-tenth of our income for the extension of the kingdom of Christ.

2. That Classis adopt as its slogan for the year, "All apportionment paid by all congregations."

3. That Classis urge any congregations, whose regular budget will not meet the full apportionment, to make immediate plans to cover apportionment by special canvass.

4. That congregational Treasurers be requested to send the monthly quota of apportionment at the end of each month, and where failure is realized to attain this end, special effort be put forth to send the full quota for the quarter at the end of the same.

5. That all congregations be urged to make the annual Every-Member Canvass and follow up the same with the most modern methods of church finance.

6. That the following Auxiliary Committees be appointed, whose duties shall be to work under the direction of the Classical Missionary and Stewardship Committee to assist pastors and consistories in every possible way in the promotion of the principles of Christian stewardship and in the adoption and use of the up-to-date methods of collecting church offerings: Eastern District, J. A. Palmer J. T. Plott; Central District, W. C. Lyerly, Luther Holshouser; Western District, H. A. Fesperman, A. A. Blackwelder.

7. That Classis adopt the financial blanks for Classical Treasurers gotten out by the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee of General Synod.

8. That congregations be urged to have separate Treasurers for current expenses and benevolence.

The term of Rev. H. A. Welker expires with this meeting.

Expenses, $1.05 postage.

Respectfully submitted,

L. A. Peeler,
H. A. Welker.

(d) *To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina*:

The Rebecca Solliday Church-building Fund Committee beg leave to report that they have on hand the sum of $1083.-52. The Albemarle loan has been repaid and also the fund from Rev. J. M. Peck is included in this amount.

Respectfully submitted,

Walter W. Rowe,
H. A. Fesperman,
J. M. L. Lyerly,
J. B. Leonard.

(d) *To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina*:

Your Committee on the Solliday Beneficiary Fund beg leave to report that during the past year the following young men who are students in Catawba College have each received the sum of $100: B. J. Peeler, Felix B. Peck, O. Bain Michael, Rea Michael, Sidney Safrit, Hoy L. Fesperman, Chas. Hiatt. Elmer Everhardt, of Catawba College, received $50; S. A. Troxell, of Eastern Theological Seminary, received $100. A. C. Peeler, George A. Ingle, Frank L. Fesperman and Sterling W. Whitener, of the Central Seminary, received the sum of $75. The following young men will no longer receive aid from this fund: A. C. Peeler, F. L. Fesperman, G. A. Ingle, S. W. Whitener, S. A. Troxell, A. R. Tosh. John T. Fesperman is in Camp Knox, Kentucky.

Rev. John M. Peck has paid the $400 received by him while pursuing his studies. Your committee would also report that Rev. Clarence Woods has been engaged in Y. M. C. A. work during the past year. C. E. Fogelman asks for more time in regard to the payment of the amount that he is due the Solliday Fund. Respectfully submitted,

WALTER W. ROWE,
A. D. WOLFINGER,
J. B. LEONARD.

The committee was continued.

(f) *To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina*:

Your Trustees to whom were referred the interests of St. Peter's church property and Mt. Bethel, Blowing Rock, beg leave to report the following:

In regard to St. Peter's property there is in our hands five and one-fourth acres of land. We have paid all expenses out

of money on hand and have $116 with interest from June 14, 1918. As to Mt. Bethel, Blowing Rock, the conditions of the property interest are such that when said congregation is disbanded the property returns to the heirs of the donors. In view of this fact your committee would suggest that the matter be continued for the present under the care of the Trustees. Respectfully submitted,

Walter W. Rowe,
T. L. Hunsucker,
J. A. Probst.

The Trustees were re-elected.

2. *To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina*:

Inasmuch as I am a member of your Standing Committee on Young People's Societies, and for that reason will have an opportunity to express myself in connection with the work among young people, my report as Superintendent of Young People's Societies is brief. And this is true not so much because I lack interest in the work, but because of a lack, to an extent, of a definite program, as well as the failure of the pastors to call on me for help. However, during the year I was invited to Waughtown to speak to the young people with reference to organizing the young people of that congregation. If it had not been for the great epidemic of influenza such organization doubtless would have been effected.

One of the finest things that has come to our Church in this state was the Summer Conference at Catawba College last summer. We are so glad another will be held again this summer. In this connection let me urge pastors to make an effort to have as many of their young people at this Conference as possible. Indeed, if the Conference Committee will put into the program something that in a particular way will help fit

young people to take a deeper interest and a more active part in Christian Endeavor work and the work of kindred organizations, I will try to visit as many congregations as I can between this and the meeting of the Conference in an effort to get a still larger number of young people to attend. To my mind we need more of our young people to make some special preparation in order to have greater success in this work. It often is the case that very few or none of the young people in a congregation have had any experience in a Young People's Society, and it may sometimes occur that even the pastor has had little or no experience.

Brethren, let us not lose sight of the fact that the young people of our Sunday Schools and Young People's organizations of today will be the elders and deacons, the leaders in the Woman's Missionary Societies, the teachers in the Sunday Schools as well as the other lay members of our churches of tomorrow. Here is the place to do our most effective work in preparing for greater things in the Master's vineyard.

Humbly submitted,

J. A. PALMER,
Supt. Young People's Societies.

Rev. J. A. Palmer was appointed Superintendent of Young People's Societies.

3. The Superintendent of Teacher Training failed to report. Rev. H. A. Welker was appointed to this position.

4. No report was presented.

5. *To the Classis of North Carolina*:

Your committee appointed to see to the supply of the Lincoln Charge beg leave to report that the charge was regularly

supplied by the Chairman of the committee and at present there is no outlook for a regular pastor.

Respectfully submitted,

H. G. KOPENHAVER,
H. A. FESPERMAN,
W. H. MCNAIRY.

Revs. W. W. Rowe, H. A. Fesperman and Elder A. L. Shuford were appointed to assist the Lincoln Charge in securing a pastor, and Rev. H. G. Kopenhaver was appointed to supply the charge until a pastor is secured.

6. Having been placed in charge of Hopewell Church, I desire to say that nothing has been done in the way of holding services.

Respectfully submitted,

G. E. PLOTT.

The Hopewell interest was re-committed to Rev. G. E. Plott.

7. The report was read. The Second Church of Lexington was re-committed to Rev. J. C. Leonard.

8. The report was read. The Brookford Church was re-committed to Rev. W. W. Rowe.

9. *To the Reverend North Carolina Classis*:

Your committee appointed to give letters of dismission to the members of the Albemarle Mission and to dispose of the property of said mission beg leave to make the following report:

1. The members of said mission were granted letters of dismission to the church of their choice.

2. The church property was placed in the hands of Attorney W. L. Mann and was disposed of by him, and the following is the financial statement:

Receipts—

Amount in treasury of the mission	$ 6 76
Church furniture	115 00
Church building	115 00
Returned premium on insurance	3 24
Church lot	3000 00
Total receipts	$3240 00

Disbursements—

Express, crating, postage, etc	$ 6 24
Revenue stamps for deed	3 00
Cost of order from court	15 10
Lawyer's fee	75 00
Note and mortgage to J. S. Wise, Treasurer	1100 40
Note to J. L. Fisher, Treasurer	100 00
Note and interest to J. B. Leonard, Treasurer	277 65
Check to D. E. Bowers, Treasurer	1662 61
Total disbursements	$3240 00

The hymn books, pulpit Bible and baptismal bowl were donated to the Charlotte Mission; the Sunday School song books to the Kannapolis Mission.

L. A. Peeler,
J. W. Peeler,
Jno. L. C. Miller.

The following supplementary action was taken:

Resolved, That from this fund now in the hands of the Treasurer the Board of Missions shall be reimbursed for the loss on the Spencer chapel, and that the remainder shall be

donated to the Charlotte and Winston-Salem Missions in equal sums.

10. Your committee appointed to co-operate with the National Service Commission beg leave to report that during the year we were in touch with the above mentioned Commission and took action in such matters as were brought to our attention.

W. W. Rowe,
J. C. Peeler.

11. *To the Reverend North Carolina Classis*:

Your committee appointed to arrange for a Summer Missionary Conference beg leave to report the duty attended to and a Conference was held at Catawba College, Newton, N. C., July 18-23. No effort was spared to make the Conference a success in every way. A strong program was arranged, of which I enclose a copy. The total enrollment, including day registrations, was 101.

The following is a financial report of the Conference:

Amount received for registrations	$ 75 00
Total offerings	91 89
Amount received from boarding department	163 60
Total received from all sources	$330 49
Amount paid out for groceries, matron, etc	$105 99
General expenses of the Conference, R. R. fares, help, printing, postage, etc	95 81
Paid to Catawba College	109 69
Total paid out	$310 49
Balance in treasury	20 00

A conference of leaders and leading delegates was held on Monday, July 22, and a permanent Summer Missionary Conference Organization was formed. The Summer Conference

will be an annual gathering under the leadership of this permanent committee.

L. A. Peeler,
A. A. Blackwelder,
A. L. Shuford.

12. Your committee appointed to prepare and hold a memorial service at Bethany Church in the Upper Davidson Charge beg to report that the service was held on the fifth Sabbath in June, 1918. Respectfully submitted,

J. D. Andrew.

13. Your committee appointed to install Rev. W. C. Lyerly pastor of Trinity Church, Concord, beg leave to report that the duty was properly attended to July 28, 1918.

Respectfully submitted,

P. Barringer,
Shuford Peeler.

14. The report was read. The Gilead Charge was placed in the care of Rev. W. C. Lyerly.

15. The following report was received and adopted:

Your committee appointed to organize a congregation at Landis, N. C., beg leave to report that duty attended to Sunday, April 27, 1919. The First Reformed Church of Landis was organized in the new house of worship with 85 members. A consistory of four elders and four deacons was elected and installed. Respectfully submitted,

J. H. Keller.

16. Your committee appointed to secure Synodical sustentation for the Catawba Charge beg leave to report that we had some correspondence with Dr. I. W. Hendricks, Secretary of the Synodical Committee. Dr. Hendricks stated that the next meeting of the committee would be held in July, and if we

wish to make application for aid at that time we may do so. He further stated that funds were very limited and that thus far they had been able to give aid to only a few charges, which with the aid furnished were paying very small salaries. The charge has not as yet met the conditions to secure Synodical aid, but we believe they could be influenced to do so, but the prospects for said aid are not very encouraging.

Respectfully submitted,

A. D. WOLFINGER,
L. A. PEELER.

17. *To the Reverend Classis*:

As Business Manager of the *Reformed Church Standard* I beg leave to report that beginning with June 1, 1918, the paper has been issued twice a month. The following is the financial statement:

Receipts—

Balance on hand	$ 1 02
From Treasurer of Classis	555 00
Subscriptions direct	15 25
Advertisements	6 00
	$577 27

Disbursements—

Printing and mailing	$527 00
Postage on paper	20 00
General expenses	17 44
Balance	12 83
	$577 27

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. MCNAIRY,
Business Manager.

18. *To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina*:

Your committee appointed to act as mediary between theological students and vacant charges begs leave to report that he wrote all the vacant charges in December giving the names and addresses of the young men who graduate this year and suggesting that each charge send a call as soon as possible after the beginning of the year to one of the men.

He also wrote to each one of the young men stating what had been done, so that they might be prepared to consider any call presented to them.

Respectfully submitted.

C. C. WAGONER.

Rev. C. C. Wagoner was re-appointed.

19. Your committee appointed to install Rev. S. J. Kirk pastor of the Burlington Charge beg to report that it performed its duty on Sunday, Nov. 18, 1918, Rev. A. Klinger having charge of the liturgical service and Rev. F. R. Lefever preaching the sermon.

Respectfully submitted,

F. R. LEFEVER,
J. T. PLOTT..

20. *To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina*:

Your Committee of Supply for the Rockwell Charge beg leave to report that services have been conducted regularly in all the churches. Theological graduate S. A. Troxell will become pastor of the charge June 1, 1919.

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. WAGONER,
J. M. L. LYERLY,
H. A. WELKER.

21. Your Committee of Supply for Bethel, High Point, beg leave to report that the church was given one preaching service each Sunday; that an Every-Member Canvass was made, which resulted in raising over $300 for current expenses; that $100 was paid on the parsonage debt, and that $83 was raised for benevolent objects. A pastor has been secured in the person of Student J. Wade Huffman.

Your committee wishes to state also that a letter was addressed to pastors and in vacant charges to Superintendents of Sunday Schools relative to the plan of Classis for the support of this work. We have received 43 replies—38 favorable, 3 unfavorable, 11 not reporting. Amount pledged, $823.80. Respectfully submitted,

D. E. Bowers,
J. A. Palmer,
G. T. Plott.

22. The committee presented their report, which together with Item 2 of the report on Overtures was referred to the following special committee: Revs. J. D. Andrew, S. J. Kirk, Elder J. D. Holshouser. Subsequently the special committee offered their report, which as amended was adopted as follows:

Your committee to whom were referred the request of officers of Mt. Zion and the new church at Landis and the report of the Committee on the Kannapolis Interest beg leave to recommend the following:

1. That the First Reformed Church of Landis be incorporated with the West Rowan Charge.

2. That the Committee on the Kannapolis Interest be continued, with instructions to urge the Board of Home Missions

the granting, at their July meeting, of the request of Classis for the enrollment of Kannapolis as a mission; and, further, that when the Board of Missions shall have enrolled Kannapolis, then the committee is instructed to organize a congregation at Kannapolis.

3. In the event that the provisions of the second recommendation are carried out, St. Paul's Church be detached from the West Rowan Charge, and that St. Paul's Church and the new congregation at Kannapolis be constituted a new charge.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. Andrew,
S. J. Kirk,
J. D. Holshouser.

The expense item of the Kannapolis Committee was ordered paid.

ARTICLE XI.

OVERTURES.

The following report was received, considered by items and finally adopted as a whole:

Your Committee on Overtures beg leave to report the following items submitted to us:

1. Request from Faith Church, Salisbury, asking that the name be changed from Faith Reformed Church to First Reformed Church. We recommend that permission be given for the change.

2. Request from the consistories of Mt. Zion and the First Reformed Church of Landis that these two churches be made

a charge. We recommend that this be referred to the special committee created under Item 22 of the report on Minutes of Classis.

3. Request from Gilead Charge to continue Rev. W. C. Lyerly as supply pastor with a remuneration of $525 per year. We recommend the granting of their request.

4. Official notice from the Stated Clerk of Potomac Synod that Rev. J. C. Leonard, D. D., Dr. H. E. Rowe, Dr. M. A. Foil, M. G. Lentz, Edgar Whitener and C. H. Geitner have been nominated as candidates for Trustees of Catawba College. We recommend their election.

5. Request of Rev. John A. Koons that he be given permission to continue in secular work for the coming year. We recommend the granting of the request.

6. Request from the Board of Home Missions that the Classis reimburse the Board for the loss sustained in the sale of the Spencer mission property out of the proceeds which the Classis realized from the sale of the Albemarle property.

We recommend that the Board be reimbursed for the loss.

7. A request from the National Reform Association asking our endorsement of the Movement and the appointment of delegates to the Conference to be held in Pittsbugh, Pa., Nov. 9-16, 1919. We recommend the adoption of the following:

WHEREAS, A call has been issued for the third World's Christian Citizen Conference, to be held in Pittsburgh, Pa., November 9-16, 1919, under the general direction of the National Reform Association, an organization which has for more than fifty years been working energetically for the incorporation of Christian principles in our national life, and

WHEREAS, This Conference, participated in by leading thinkers from many denominations in our own land and from perhaps a score of other countries, will attract the attention and influence the course of the activities of many factors in the world's progress, and

WHEREAS, This body is ever ready to promote any cause looking to the betterment of mankind and the advancement of the kingdom of God, and especially so in this hour of the world's crisis,

Resolved, That the Classis of North Carolina, Reformed Church in the United States, endorses the proposed Conference and hereby orders the Stated Clerk to furnish proper credentials to any members of Classis who may be able to go as delegates to the said Conference, and that we suggest to our churches and their subsidiary organizations the propriety of sending their pastors and other delegates to the Third World's Christian Citizenship Conference, convening as above stated.

8. Reports from Students A. R. Tosh and S. A. Troxell and request that a special meeting of Classis be held in Salisbury Friday, May 23, 10.00 a. m., for their examination and licensure. We recommend that the request be granted.

9. Report from Student G. A. Ingle and request for examination and licensure. We recommend that Student Ingle be referred to the Committee on Examniation and Licensure.

10. Report from Student A. C. Peeler and request for examination and licensure. We recommend that he be referred to the Committee on Examination and Licensure.

11. Reports from Students Frank L. Fesperman and Sterling W. Whitener and their request for examination and licen-

sure. We recommend that these young men be referred to the Committee on Examination and Licensure.

12. Reports from ministerial students at Catawba College: Sidney C. Safrit, Hoy L. Fesperman, E. R. Everhart, F. B. Peck, B. J. Peeler, I. R. Michael, O. B. Michael, Charles E. Hiatt. The reports indicate progress in their work and express thanks for the aid given. We recommend the adoption of the several reports.

13. Certificate dismissing Licentiate J. Wade Huffman from the Classis of Virginia, Potomac Synod, to the Classis of North Carolina. We recommend his reception.

14. Call from Bethel Church, High Point, to Licentiate J. Wade Huffman. We recommend that the call be confirmed and a committee appointed to ordain Licentiate Huffman to the Gospel ministry and install him pastor of Bethel Church.

The President appointed the following committee to ordain and install Licentiate Huffman: Revs. A. D. Wolfinger, R. E. Leinbach, Elder Edgar Whitener.

15. Invitation from the First Church, High Point, to Classis to hold the next annual meeting in their church.

We recommend that Classis now determine the time and place of the next annual meeting.

The invitation of the First Church of High Point was accepted. The time was made Tuesday, May 4, A. D. 1920, at 8.00 o'clock p. m.

16. Request from the Catawba Charge for sustentation in the sum of $300 on condition that a regular pastor be secured. We recommend that the request be granted, the money to be paid out of funds now on hand.

17. Request from Licentiate George A. Ingle to be dismissed to Iowa Classis, Synod of the Interior. We recommend the following:

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk be instructed to issue a certificate to Licentiate George A. Ingle dismissing him to Iowa Classis, Synod of Interior, as soon as he shall have been notified by the Committee on the George G. Solliay Beneficiary Education Fund that Licentiate Ingle has made satisfactory arrangements to meet the stipulations of this trust fund.

18. Request of Licentiate Augustus C. Peeler to be dismissed to Virginia Classis, Synod of the Potomac. We recommend that the request be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

SHUFORD PEELER,
D. C. COX,
H. D. WARLICK.

ARTICLE XII.

DELEGATES TO POTOMAC AND GENERAL SYNODS.

All ministers and the elder from each pastoral charge constitute the delegates to the Synod of the Potomac, which meets in general convention. The election of delegates to General Synod was made the order of the day for Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Revs. W. C. Lyerly, H. A. Welker, Elders Edgar Whitener and T. A. Swing were appointed tellers. The following were elected:

Primarii: *Ministers*—A. D. Wolfinger, D. D., J. C. Leonard, D. D., W. W. Rowe, A. S. Peeler, L. A. Peeler. Elders—A. T. Delap, J. M. Holshouser, J. T. Plott, Edgar Whitener, C. C. Bost.

Secundi: *Ministers*—J. A. Palmer, C. C. Wagoner, J. D. Andrew, H. A. Fesperman, D. E. Bowers. Elders—M. G. Lentz, H. D. Warlick, J. W. Bowers, P. J. Klutz, E. A. Sink.

ARTICLE XIII.

MINUTES OF POTOMAC SYNOD.

The following is the report of the Committee on the Minutes of Synod. It was considered by items and finally adopted as a whole:

Your Committee on the Minutes of Potomac Synod beg leave to make the following report:

1. Page 5. Attendance at Synod.

The following members of the Classis attended the meeting of Synod at Middletown, Md.: Revs. Shuford Peeler, A. D. Wolfinger, D. D., and W. W. Rowe. There were no elders present.

2. Pages 27-81. Education.

Reports from the several educational institutions show that a great work has been done, especially when we consider the difficulties they have faced during the period of the war. They are most heartily commended to our people for their patronage and support in every way. Especially are all ministers and members of the Classis called upon to lay before our young men the pressing need for new recruits in the ranks of the Christian ministry.

3. Pages 81-91. Missions.

Splendid progress is noted in the reports of the Home and Foreign Mission Boards. The report also shows the need of a

larger and a more whole-hearted support of this phase of our work. Our people are challenged to give freely and bountifully of their money, their prayers and their lives for the extension of the kingdom through these Boards. It is especially urged that the whole apportionment be raised and that Home and Foreign Mission Days be observed by every congregation, on which days a special offering shall be taken for the causes designated by the Boards.

4. Pages 91-92. Missionary and Stewardship.

Synod urges the raising of the full apportionment as the minimum of giving, and suggests that an earnest, systematic effort be made to impress more completely upon our people the principles of Christian Stewardship.

5. Pages 92-99. Publication and Sunday School Board.

Synod rejoices in the continued success of the Publication and Sunday School Board and urges the people through the Classis to give the Board their patronage and support.

Synod requests each congregation to appoint a Committee on Good Liteature, the duty of which will be to increase the circulation of the *Messenger*. It also endorses the movement towards the consolidation of the *Messenger* and *Christian World*.

Each Sunday School is requested to give at least one offering during the year, preferably on Children's Day, to the work of the Board. A Teacher Training Class for every Sunday School is also urged.

6. Pages 100-109. Benevolent Institutions.

The wok of the several benevolent institutions was heartily recommended to the people as worthy of their continued support.

7. Pages 113-114. Finance.

Synod accepts the apportionment of General Synod and recommends the same to the Classes. Home Missions, 80 cts.; Foreign Missions, 80 cents; Ministerial Relief, 10 cents.

The following sums were referred to the North Carolina Classis:

Potomac Synod Contingent	$126 00
Beneficiary Education	646 00
Theological Seminary	406 00
Ministerial Sustentation	73 00

8. Page 112. Nominations.

In the Minutes of Synod the names of those nominated for Trustees of Catawba College are not given. We recommend the following as an overture to the Synod of the Potomac:

WHEREAS, The records of the Minutes of the Synod of the Potomac have repeatedly failed to state specifically the names of the Synod's nominees for Trustees of Catawba College to be elected by the Classis of North Carolina,

Resolved, That we respectfully request the Synod to instruct the Stated Clerk to record hereafter in the Minutes the names of those nominated by the Synod for Trustees of Catawba College.

9. Pages 114-115. Young People's Societies.

Synod calls attention to the necessity of conserving and developing the lives of our young people for their own sake and for the sake of the kingdom, and recommends the organizing of the young people in every congregation. Synod also recommends that the third Sunday in October be observed by

every congregation as Young People's Day, and that an offering be taken for the support of the Young People's Department.

10. Page 124. Meeting of Synod.

The next annual meeting of the Synod of the Potomac convenes in Trinity Reformed Church, Hanover, Pa., Monday, October 27, 1919, at 8.00 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

G. Ermine Plott,
W. H. McNairy,
M. G. Lentz.

ARTICLE XIV.

MISSIONS.

The following report was received, considered by items and then adopted as a whole:

The Committee on Missions wish to make the following report:

The following papers have come into our hands:

1. The annual statement of the Home Mission Board of the Reformed Church in the U. S.

2. The annual statement of the Foreign Mission Board of the Reformed Church in the U. S.

In the report of the Board of Home Missions we note that building operations were for the greater part postponed during the war. Now that conditions are adjusting themselves, many of the missions are projecting building operations. This necessitates the giving of many Church-building Funds. We

recommend that churches and men of means take note of this fact and act accordingly.

Superintendent Mullan spoke in the interest of Home Missions, at which time he stressed the fact that missions were being established only at points where there was no overlapping of work by other Churches. He also emphasized the importance of the great Forward Movement of the Church. We recommend that this Movement be given whole-hearted support by the Classis.

The annual Home Mission Day will be observed on Nov. 9. The theme will be, "American Christianization." We recommend that this day be observed by the churches of the Classis.

In the report of the Board of Foreign Missions we note the appointment of six new missionaries. We especially rejoice that two of this number come from the North Carolina Classis, viz., Sterling W. Whitener and Frank L. Fesperman. These are the first missionaries from this Classis.

We regret the sad news of the burning of the fine buildings of North Japan College, entailing thereby a great loss to the Church. Fifty thousand dollars will be needed to replace the buildings, in addition to the forty thousand dollars insurance. We recommend that contributions be made by our people for the replacement of these buildings.

Foreign Mission Day will be observed February 8, 1920. We recommend that all the deserving needs of the Board meet with favorable consideration.

Rev. Mr. Rupp, of the Foreign Mission Board, made an appeal to Classis for the support of the work, especially of our own missionaries.

We recommend the paying of the apportionment in full by all the charges, and that special efforts be put forth by pastors and people to pay same.

We commend to the members of Classis the two young missionaries, Sterling W. Whitener and Frank L. Fesperman, that the earnest prayers of Classis may follow them into their respective fields of labor and urge that they may be accorded the best of financial support.

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. Fesperman,
S. J. Kirk,
J. M. Holshouser.

ARTICLE XV.

NOMINATIONS.

The following is the report of the Committee on Nominations, which was adopted, all the nominees being elected:

1. Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home—Elders S. L. Whitener, T. W. S. Grimes and Rev. J. D. Andrew.

2. Mrs. Rebecca Solliday Church-building Fund — Rev. Harvey A. Fesperman.

3. Treasurer of Classis—Rev. D. E. Bowers.

4. Missionary and Stewardship Committee—Elder J. O. Moose.

5. Staff of *Standard*—Rev. W. W. Rowe, Editor-in-Chief; District Editors, Revs. H. A. Fesperman, W. C. Lyerly and G. E. Plott; Institutional Editors, Dr. A. D. Wolfinger, Rev. W. B. Werner; Business Manager, Rev. W. H. McNairy.

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. Wagoner,
G. E. Plott,
T. A. Swing.

ARTICLE XVI.

RELIGION AND STATISTICS.

The following report was received and adopted:

Dear Fathers and Brethren:—Your committee have read the parochial reports and tried to tabulate the statistics. Our brethren acknowledge the goodness and appreciate the loving providence of our kind heavenly Father.

We note the beautiful thread of optimism running through the reports.

War, epidemic and hindered work appear prominent; but, brethren, let us ever remember that man's extremity is God's opportunity. Religion is deeper than public worship and apportionment paid in full. Let us as ministers emphasize these more, but put the greatest emphasis on the personal touch with God as revealed in Christ through the power of the Holy Ghost.

The past year has been one of wonderful opportunity. May we each one be worthy to live and labor at such a time.

We note with sympathy tne death of six elders and deacons.

May God comfort the bereaved the world over and keep the living in His fear and favor.

We would here reconsecrate ourselves upon the altar of our suffering Savior, which is our reasonable service.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. KELLER,
W. C. LYERLY,
EDGAR WHITENER.

The statistics will be found in the appendix.

ARTICLE XVII.

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING.

Classis will meet in adjourned session in Faith Reformed Church, Salisbury, N. C., May 23, A. D. 1919, at 10.00 o'clock a. m.

The First Reformed Church, High Point, N. C., was selected as the place of the next annual meeting of the Classis of North Carolina and Tuesday evening, May 4, A. D. 1920, at 8 o'clock as the time.

ARTICLE XVIII.

EDUCATION.

Report of the Trustees of Catawba College.

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Dear Brethren:—As President of the Board of Trustees of Catawba College I present the following report:

At the annual session of the Board on May 7, 1918, the following officers were elected for the current year: President, Rev. Walter W. Rowe; Vice Pesident, Dr. Clarence Clapp; Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. J. B. Leonard.

The past year of the administration of the institution has been good and satisfactory when we take in consideration the great difficulties under which the work had to be carried on. Dr. Wolfinger, the President, has taken hold of the work with great earnestness and is easily adapting himself to his new environment. The people are responding nobly to the calls made by him for the institution, and there is every manifestation that the people are being aroused to the sense of their responsibility at this time of the institution's great need.

The S. A. T. C. which was secured by the College during the year proved a great help to the institution in the matter of finances, advertisement and increasing the enrollment. The total amount received from the government for this work was $5025. We are pleased to report that the total enrollment in all departments up to the present time is 183. At the coming commencement on May 21, 17 will graduate from the Literary Department, 1 by certificate, 1 in music, 1 in expression.

The financial plan outlined by the President and adopted by the Board at its last meeting is receiving hearty support. Up to the present time there are 319 members of the Catawba League in Classis and 35 outside the bounds of Classis. There has been the sum of $920 paid in on the endowment and $3425 subscribed. Neither of these funds is as large as they would have been if the work could have been pushed during the whole year. For three months the President was unable to make a single appointment on account of the influenza epidemic. It is true that Catawba College is a member of the Association of Schools, Colleges and Seminaries, and when the Forward Movement Campaign is brought to a success the institution will come into possession of $100,000. But until this is done the Church must meet the current expenses. In view of this the Catawba League must be continued for another year, and the Board trusts that this Classis will give this mater serious consideration.

We would also report to this body that the Executive Committee has taken action, subject to the approval of the Board, to make certain changes in the curriculum of the institution. Every effort is being made to secure a standard A grade College. Also the Preparatory Department is changed to Catawba Academy with a course of four years instead of three, which will correspond to the High School requirements.

There are certain needs that we desire to call to the attention of this Classis. It is absolutely necessary that the entire Classis stand by the financial plan of the Board if the institution is to go forward and meet the demands of the age in which we live. Another important need is a better equipment for the library. There must be more reference books in this workshop of the College in order that students may do more thorough work. We would call your attention to the need of additional equipment in the laboratory and also the importance of having a President's home as soon as possible. Another important need that pastors especially must not overlook, that is, that the enrollment must be increased.

We lay these matters upon the hearts of the members of *Classis and trust that we shall have your hearty support morally and financially in every progressive movement that we undertake for the good of the institution.*

WALTER W. ROWE,
President of Board of Trustees.

The Treasurer's report is submitted with this report for your careful consideration.

Report of Treasurer of Catawba College.

To the North Carolina Classis:

I beg to submit to your reverend body a supplement to my report to the Board of Trustees of Catawba College, as follows:

Receipts—

Cash on hand at last report	$ 91 09
To cash from sale of lot	300 00
To cash, interest	1425 75
To cash, proceeds of concert	51 70

To cash, N. C. Classis	504 88
To cash, book account	34 75
To cash, gift to library fund	25 00
To cash, rent	10 00
To cash, bills and tuition	11019 23
To cash, Catawba College League	2665 58
To cash, tuition year 1917-18	1752 04
To cash, all sources not in above	1895 19
	$19,775.21

Disbursements—

By amount paid on repairs of Hall and C. C B	$ 300 00
By amount paid for labor	1164 11
By amonnt paid for interest	385 77
By amount paid for light and water	193 46
By amount paid for postage, printing and stationery	318 03
By amount paid for insurance	120 60
By amount paid for canvassing and traveling expenses	508 69
By amount paid for provision account, 1917-18	588 84
By amount paid for provision account, 1918-19	3154 59
By amount paid for freight, express and drayage	280 42
By amount paid for equipment and repairs	3402 21
By amount paid on book account	1036 94
By amount paid on library account	12 70
By amount paid for fuel	864 96
By amount paid for rents	106 02
By amount paid matron	185 00
By amount paid teachers, year 1917-18	610 26
By amount paid teachers, year 1918-19	5561 16
By amoount paid for items not in above	935 88
Cash on hand May 1, 1919	45 59
	$19,775 21

J. B. LEONARD, Treasurer.

The following report of the Committee on Education was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Education beg leave to make the following report:

The reports of the President of the Board of Trustees and of the Treasurer of Catawba College were placed in our hands. We note with great satisfaction the progress that has been made during the year. We are delighted to know that the people of the Church have rallied to the support of the institution in a splendid way financially and otherwise, and have stood loyally by the new President, Dr. Wolfinger. We find that so far 319 members of the Catawba League have been secured in our Classis and 35 outside the bounds of Classis. In this connection we trust that for the help of the College during another year all these members will continue their support and that new members be secured. We are glad a beginning has been made in increasing the endowment of the institution, and trust this likewise may go forward. We hope further that the many and great needs of our beloved institution may soon be met.

In the hope that a still greater interest in our College may be created we recommend that the first Sunday in July again be set apart as Catawba College Day, when a program suitable to such an occasion be used. For this purpose we recommend that the President of the College prepare a suitable service similar to the one sent out last year.

We recommend further that all our pastors avail themselves of every oppotunity to influence their young people who may anticipate going away to school to go to Catawba College, as well as to help Dr. Wolfinger or other representative of the

school in any way possible not only to secure new students, but to advance the work of the College in every way.

In conclusion we express to Dr. Wolfinger our hearty appreciation of his very efficient and sacrificing service during the year. Respectfully submitted,

J. A. Palmer,
H. A. Fesperman.

ARTICLE XIX.

FINANCE.

Report of the Treasurer of Classis.

The Treasurer of Classis begs leave to submit the following annual report:

To the Members of the Classis of North Carolina:

Receipts.

SPECIAL OBJECTS.

Armenian and Syrian Relief—

Pilgrim Reformed S. S.	$ 30 00
Shiloh, Faith Charge	14 00
Mt. Hope, Faith Charge	2 50
Mt. Zion, West Rowan	17 38
Mt. Zion S. S., West Rowan	35 00
St. Paul's, West Rowan	14 25
Ursinus, Rockwell	60 30
Faith, Salisbury	17 04
Mt. Hope S S., Guilford Charge	12 00
Total	$ 202 47

Catawba College Special—

First, Greensboro	$ 35 00	
The Classical S. S. Mission—		
Smyrna S. S., Catawba Charge	$ 5 80	
Second S. S., Lexington	15 00	
Total		$ 20 80

Foreign Missions—Special—

Mrs. D. K. Correll	$ 5 00	
Bethel L. A. and W. M. S., S. Fork	5 00	
Newton	18 25	
Mt. Zion, West Rowan	19 25	
Corinth C. E. Society, Hickory	5 00	
Total		$ 52 50

Home Missions—Special—

Hebron S. S., for Charlotte	$ 2 00	
Bethlehem S. S., for Charlotte	2 75	
First S. S., Waughtown	5 02	
Newton	10 70	
First, Greensboro, for Charlotte	113 00	
Zion, Lenoir	33 00	
Corinth C. E. S., Hickory	5 00	
Total		$ 171 47

Sunday School—Special—

Grace S. S., Newton	$ 14 25	
Trinity S. S., Conover	7 10	
First S. S., Lexington	3 05	
Second S. S., Lexington	3 15	
Total		$ 27 53

Special Fund—

Sale of Albemarle Church property	$1662 61	
Interest on this fund	33 41	
Total		$1696 02

Nazareth Orphans' Home—

First S. S., Lexington	$152	34
Second S. S., Lexington	38	29
L. A. S., First, Waughtown	18	01
First S. S., Waughtown	4	99
First Church, Waughtown	10	10
Hebron, Waughtown	5	00
Zion, Emanuel Charge	16	68
Lincolnton	9	00
Mt. Hope, Faith Charge	5	65
First, Greensboro	78	56
Total		$ 338 62

War Emergency Fund—

First, Waughtown	$ 26	60
Hebron, Waughtown	30	70
Bethlehem, Waughtown	8	00
Schlatter Memorial	19	00
Pilgrim, Upper Davidson	87	50
Bethany, Upper Davidson	24	50
Beulah, Upper Davidson	29	08
Calvary, Emanuel Charge	18	50
Zion, Emanuel Charge	20	60
Emanuel, Emanuel Charge	27	65
First, Lexington	145	00
Second, Lexington	47	00
Lower Davidson	175	00
Heidelberg	55	00
Charlotte	18	00
Greensboro	68	00
Grace, Faith Charge	27	71
St. Luke's, Rockwell	18	50
Total		$ 846 40

RECEIVED ON APPORTIONMENTS

	Contingent	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Potomac Synod Contingent	General Synod Contingent	Catawba College	Beneficiary Education	Theological Seminary	Ministerial Relief
Balance in Treasury..	$853 52	$807 40	$500 98	$46 50	$32 00	$10 00	$65 52	$45 00	$.....
Hickory	133 25	260 00	260 00	7 32	13 00	48 75	35 75	15 43	32 50
Guilford	92 25	18 92	18 91	5 07	9 00	33 75	.....	.....	.....
Faith	136 94	166 34	166 32	7 52	13 36	50 10	10 67	4 61	9 70
West Rowan	166 46	154 54	154 36	9 14	16 24	60 90	38 17	16 49	34 70
Bear Creek	154 16	172 83	262 02	8 46	15 04	56 40	9 90	4 30	9 00
South Fork	130 38	254 40	254 40	7 16	12 72	47 70	34 98	15 09	31 80
Lincoln	109 88	54 71	54 69	6 03	10 72	40 20	3 08	1 33	2 80
Newton	80 77	157 60	157 60	4 43	7 88	29 55	21 67	9 35	19 70
Gilead	72 98	105 59	103 13	3 78	7 12	26 70	.....	.....	.....
Salisbury	35 26	68 80	68 80	1 94	3 44	12 90	9 46	4 08	8 60
First, Lexington	168 10	164 00	164 00	9 23	16 40	61 50	45 10	2 05	41 00
Second, Lexington	40 59	30 00	30 00	2 23	3 96	14 85	10 89	1 00	9 90
Lower Davidson	131 61	17 59	17 59	7 22	12 84	48 15	.....	.....	.....
Upper Davidson	200 49	102 21	102 22	11 00	19 56	73 35	.....	.....	.....
First, High Point	59 04	80 18	80 18	3 24	5 76	21 60	.....	.....	.....
Bethel, High Point	18 04	.....	.....	1 00	1 76	.....	.....	.....	.....
Thomasville	45 92	89 60	89 60	2 52	4 48	16 80	12 32	5 32	11 20
Emanuel	142 68	.....	.....	7 83	13 92	57	.....	.....	.....
Concord	43 87	85 60	85 60	2 41	4 28	16 05	11 77	5 08	10 70
Greensboro	57 81	112 80	112 80	3 17	5 64	21 15	15 51	6 70	14 10
Burlington	69 70	23 00	8 46	4 26	6 80	25 50	.....	.....	.....
Lenoir	22 14	43 20	43 20	1 22	2 16	8 10	5 94	2 56	5 40
Brookford	24 60	18 83	18 82	1 35	2 40	9 00	.....	.....	.....
Catawba	79 95	120 80	120 80	3 40	6 10	22 65	6 77	.....	10 60
Waughtown	75 85	46 98	36 85	4 15	7 40	27 75	.....	.....	.....
Rockwell	94 70	42 59	42 59	3 82	6 80	25 50	.....	.....	.....
Lincolnton	27 88	54 40	54 40	1 53	2 72	10 20	7 48	3 23	6 80
Winston-Salem	9 02	17 60	17 60	50	88	3 30	2 42	1 03	2 20
Charlotte	14 55	28 00	28 00	79	1 40	5 25	3 85	1 66	3 50
Mt. Bethel	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Loan for Ch'h Bldg..	1500 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Interest	126 48	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dr. Barringer, Int'st	100 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Peter's Church	45 32	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Arrearages	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bethel, High Point	.....	7 00	5 80	1 80	1 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....
Lower Davidson	90 00	6 60	.....	6 00	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Gilead	87	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lincoln	.....	41 00	43 00	.....	.....	7 50	1 00	1 00	.....
Rockwell	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9 00	.....	.....	.....
Thomasville	.....	.....	.....	2 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Salisbury	12 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total	5176 86	3353 11	3104 72	188 02	271 78	849 72	352 25	145 31	264 20

Disbursements.

Contingent—

Stated Clerk, Salary and Expenses	$ 67 64	
Treasurer, Salary and Expenses	34 42	
Notices concerning Standard Mailing Lists	1 50	
St. Paul's, for use of church	5 00	
Notes of Classis	475 00	
Stewardship Committee	6 60	
Ex. Com. and special meetings of Classis	12 45	
Synodical Indebtedness	337 00	
Ministerial Sustentation	60 00	
Interest on notes of Classis	170 50	
For publication of Standard	555 00	
Church building	1500 00	
Commission on Burlington and Guilford Charges	15 65	
Minutes of Classis	181 38	
Total		$3422 28

Home Missions—

J. S. Wise, Treasurer	$2570 09	

Home Missions—Special—

J. S. Wise, Treasurer	$ 48 72	
Rev. Shuford Peeler, for Charlotte	117 75	
Total		$ 166 47

Foreign Missions—

Rev. Dr. A. R. Bartholomew, Sec	$2367 23	

Foreign Missions—Special—

Rev Dr. A. R. Bartholomew, Sec	47 50	

Potomac Synod Contingent—

C. M. Wolf, Treasurer	$ 132 00	

General Synod Contingent—

C. M. Wolf, Treasurer	$ 246 64	

Catawba College—

J. B. Leonard, Treasurer	$ 551 43	

Catawba College—Special—

Rev. Dr. A. D. Wolfinger	$ 35 00	

Beneficiary Education—

Rev. F. A. Rupley, Treasurer	$ 273 67	

Theological Seminary—
C. M. Wolf, Treasurer.....$ 46 00
J. Travers Thomas, Treasurer..... 52 06

Total..... $ 98 06

Ministerial Relief—
Rev. Dr. J. W. Meminger, Treasurer.....$ 162 55

Armenian Relief—
J. S. Wise, Treasurer.....$ 202 47

Nazareth Orphans' Home—
George H. Moose, Treasurer.....$ 338 62

War Emergency Fund—
H. E. Paisley, Treasurer.....$ 791 40

Sunday School—Special—
C. F. Althouse, Treasurer.....$ 27 53

Summary of Receipts and Disbursements.

	Received	Paid out	Bal. in Treas.
Contingent	$5176 86	$3422 23	$1754 63
Home Missions	3353 11	2570 09	783 02
Home Missions—Special	171 47	166 47	5 00
Foreign Missions	3104 72	2367 23	737 49
Foreign Missions—Special	52 50	47 50	5 00
Potomac Synod Contingent	188 02	132 00	56 02
General Synod Contingent	271 78	246 64	25 14
Catawba College	849 72	551 43	298 29
Beneficiary Education	352 25	273 67	78 58
Theological Seminary	145 31	98 06	47 25
Ministerial Relief	264 20	162 55	101 65
Nazareth Orphans' Home	338 62	338 62	
Armenian and Syrian Relief	202 47	202 47	
Catawba College—Special	35 00	35 00	
Sunday School—Special	27 53	27 53	
War Emergency Fund	846 40	791 40	55 00
Albemarle Church Fund	1696 02		1696 02
Classical S. S. Mission	20 80		20 80

Indebtedness of Classis.

Winston-Salem	$1250 00	
Charlotte	3000 00	
Landis	1000 00	
Total		$5250 00

Interest due Classis—

Charlotte	$36 00	
Winston-Salem	6 00	
Total		$42 00

Note—The amounts of sustentation in the sustentation fund are as follows: 1916, $352.00; 1917, $164.00; 1918, $240.00; total, $756.00.

Arrearages.

Contingent—

St. Mark's, Guilford, $51.25; Fairview, Guilford, $9.84; Bethany, Rockwell, $6.98; Bethel, High Point, $11.48; Mt. Bethel, $2.46.

Potomac Synod Contingent—

St. Mark's, Guilford, $2.81; Fairview, Guilford, $.54; Bethany, Rockwell, $1.75; Bethel, High Point, $.63; Mt. Bethel, $.14.

General Synod Contingent—

St. Mark's, Guilford, $5.00; Fairview, Guilford, $.96; Bethany, Rockwell, $3.12; Bethel, High Point, $1.12; Mt. Bethel, $.24.

Arrearages 1917-18.

Contingent—
Gilead, $16.13; Burlington, $54.93.

Potomac Synod Contingent—
Gilead, $4.00; Burlington, $7.00.

General Synod Contingent—
Gilead, $2.00; Burlington, $4.00.

Arrearages 1916-17.

Contingent—

Gilead, $19.00; Emanuel, $14.40; Burlington, $80.00; Albemarle, $2.00; Mt. Bethel, $1.00; Winston-Salem, $3.00.

Potomac Synod Contingent—

Guilford, $5.00; Gilead, $3.00; Emanuel, $1.40; Burlington, $5.00; Albemarle, $1.00; Mt. Bethel, $1.00; Winston-Salem, $1.00.

General Synod Contingent—

Guilford, $3.00; Gilead, $2.00; Emanuel, $2.00; Burlington, $5.00; Albemarle, $1.00; Mt. Bethel, $1.00; Winston-Salem, $1.00.

Arrearages 1915-16.

Contingent—

Gnuilford, $15.00; Gilead, $5.85; Lower Davidson, $27.40; Emanuel, $38.42; Burlington, $61.20; Brookford, $12.00; Albemarle, $4.00; Mt. Bethel, $2.00.

Potomac Synod Contingent—

Gilead, $3.00; Lower Davidson, $5.00; Emanuel, $6.00; Brookford, $1.00; Mt. Bethel, $1.00; Albemarle, $1.00.

General Synod Contingent—

Gilead, $2.00; Lower Davidson, $3.00; Emanuel, $4.00; Burlington, $4.00; Brookford, $1.00; Albemarle, $1.00; Mt, Bethel, $1.00.

Arrearages 1914-15.

Contingent—

Gilead, $18.87; Guilford, $1.29.

Arrearages 1913-14.

Contingent—

Gilead, $13.00.

Respectfully submitted,

D. E. BOWERS.

The Committee on Finance presented the following report, which was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis:

The Committee on Finance beg leave to submit the following report:

We have examined the Treasurer's report and find it correct. We recommend its adoption.

The following apportionments have been sent down by the Classis to the congregations:

Contingent Fund	33c.	per	member
Potomac Synod Contingent	2c.	"	"
Home Missions	80c.	"	"
Foreign Missions	80c.	"	"
Catawba College	15c.	"	"
Beneficiary Education	10½c.	"	"
Theological Seminary	6½c.	"	"
Ministerial Relief	10c.	"	"

We recommend that the consistories of the several charges and congregations in arrearages on the Contingent Fund items take some action relative to the payment of the several items and report their action to the next meeting of Classis.

Respectfully submitted,

D. E. Bowers,
J. C. Peeler,
A. T. Delap.

ARTICLE XX.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Permanent Committee on Sunday Schools presented their report, which was received and adopted. It will be found under that item in the report on the Minutes of Classis. The statistics will be found in the appendix.

ARTICLE XXI.

BENEVOLENT INSTITUTIONS.

Report of the Board of Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home.

The Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home beg leave to submit the following report:

There are now in the Home 46 children—20 girls and 26 boys. During the year several children have been dismissed and several admitted. Conditions have become normal, and the children are in a much more settled condition than a year ago, and all seem happy and contented.

The health of the children has been good, and the need of the physician not in effect.

The school was interrupted twice by the prevalence of the flu, and in some measure hindered, but a good year is still reported along this line, and most of the children promoted in their grades.

The religious training has been emphasized, and the children catechised, Sunday School work and Christian Endeavor carried on. Several of the children have been confirmed.

Concerts have been given as frequently as convenient by the children, and nice returns have come into the treasury therefrom.

The Twelfth Anniversary was a great success and much interest manifested by the large crowd in attendance. Let us not forget the Thirteenth Anniversary on the first Thursday in August, when let us hope for a still greater success in every way.

The farm is bringing in large returns, and the present crop prospects are encouraging.

Contributions from individuals, Classes, Sunday Schools and congregations have increased. More than $1200 has thus been contributed in food, clothing, etc., that is not included in the Treasurer's report. From the report of the Treasurer we learn that the receipts have been $12,339.30 and the disbursements $11,558.70, leaving a balance of $800 on hand. In addition to the above $8000 has been received in favor of the Home, to be known as the Council Fund. This has been placed in the endowment fund, which now amounts to $10,000

Among the improvements for the Home during the year were some farm machinery and the installation of an electric light plant costing $830. The outstanding indebtedness of the Home, exclusive of some small current expenses, which we do not know, is $300.

The attention of Classis is called to the fact that the terms of office as Managers of the Home of T. W. S. Grimes, S. L. Whitener and Rev. J. D. Andrew expire at this time, and it is your duty to name their successors.

The Board of Managers have decided that it is absolutely necessary that immediate steps be taken to secure funds for the erection of a new building as a girls' dormitory, and to that end has appointed a committee to launch plans for that purpose. That committee is asking your reverend body to sanction this move, and open the way for securing funds necessary for this work.

The management of the Home asks continued and increased efforts for the support of the Home, and for its greater development by Thanksgiving and Christmas offerings. It asks that individuals, Classes, Sunday Schools and congregations be urged to adopt individuals, by contributing to the annual support of orphans, as in several cases is now being done.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. L. Lyerly, *President.*

Report of Treasurer of Nazareth Orphans' Home for Year Ending May 1, 1919.

Balance May 1, 1918	$ 2762 78
Receipts for year	9576 52
Total	$12,339 30

Disbursements.

Groceries, etc	$ 1320 26
Merchandise, gas, oil	463 60
Flour and feed	2014 36
Salary and labor	1090 16
Notes and interest	1066 85
Garden seeds, clover and potatoes	168 07
Hardware, etc	532 16
Medical services	2 00
Electric light plant	834 64
Armour & Co. stock (par value $2000)	1939 00
Car fare, freight, express and all other sundry items not named above	2057 60
Total	$11,538 70
Balance on hand May 1, 1919	800 60
	$12,339 30

GEO. H. MOOSE, Treasurer.

The Committee on Benevolent Institutions presented the following report, which was received and adopted:

Your Committee on Benevolent Institutions beg leave to present the following report:

To your committee were referred the following reports: (1) The report of the Board of Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home; (2) the report of General Synod's Board of Ministerial Relief; (3) the report of the Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows.

From the report of Nazareth Orphans' Home and the subject matter of Supt. Werner's address we gather the following facts and record them for your consideration.

There are 46 children, 20 girls and 26 boys, in the Home. The health of the children has been good. Even during the great epidemic or influenza a kind providence tenderly guarded the lives of these little ones committed to our care. The secular and religious training of the children have been properly emphasized. The farm is being improved and greater returns are accruing therefrom. Some farm machinery has been purchased and an electric light plant has been installed free of debt. The Church is manifesting a growing liberality toward the Home. In addition to the income for current expenses and improvements the Home has recently come into possession of a gift of $8000, which has been placed in the endowment fund. The most outstanding need of the Home, at the present time, is a girls' dormitory.

From the report of the Board of Ministerial Relief we note there are 31 ministers and 39 widows receiving aid from said Board.

From the report of the Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows we note that there are 73 annuitants on the list of the society; to whom the society is expected to pay $7050 for the year ending October 1, 1919.

The worthiness of this cause represented by these Boards is presented and an appeal made to all congregations and individuals to support the cause more liberally.

On the basis of the facts gathered by these reports your committee offer the following resolutions:

1. That we express our appreciation of the faithful services of Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Werner as Superintendent and Matron of the Home.

2. That we likewise record our appreciation of the enlarging interest of our people in the cause of the orphans.

3. That we urge our people to give a larger response to the needs of the Home, (1) by Thanksgiving, Christmas and quarterly or monthly offerings in the Sunday School; (2) by Sunday Schools, S. S. classes and congegations adopting certain children and contributing $50.00 a year to their support; (3) by inviting the concert class to give entertainments in our churches; (4)by providing canned goods and other farm products for the use of the Home.

4. That we note with pleasure the installation of an electric light plant and other improvements at the Home.

5. That we record our gratitude for the gift of $8000 to the endowment fund.

6. That Classis endorse the movement of the Board of Managers to secure funds for the erection of a girls' dormitory, and that we open our churches for that purpose.

7. That Classis call the attention of our people to the Thirteenth Anniversary of the Home the first Thursday in August and urge them to attend the same.

8. That our ministers be requested to present the cause of Ministerial Relief in an appropriate sermon at some suitable time and that offerings be lifted and applied on the apportionment for said cause.

9. That Classis appoint Dr. J. C. Leonard as Informant to the Board of Ministerial Relief, whose duty shall be to call the Board's attention to any pesons in need of assistance or to increase the amount already given in case of sickness or increased expense incident to old age.

10. That we urge our congregations to take advantage of the Sustentation Plan for the protection of their ministers and

families in case of accident or disability as well as for old age pension. Respectfully submitted,

L. A. Peeler,
F. R. Lefever,
K. A. Link.

ARTICLE XXII.

EXAMINATION AND LICENSURE.

The Committee on Examination and Licensure offered the following report, which was received and adopted:

Your Committee on Examination and Licensure beg leave to report that Students Frank L. Fesperman, George A. Ingle, Sterling W. Whitener and Augustus C. Peeler were referred to us and were duly examined. We report that the examination was satisfactory.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. Andrew,
W. H. McNairy,
W. C. Rose.

The several young men named in this report presented themselves, and having subscribed to the formula of the Constitution they were licensed to preach the Gospel.

Licentiates Frank L. Fesperman and Sterling W. Whitener having been accepted by the Board of Foreign Missions and commissioned for service in Japan and China respectively, the following action was taken:

Resolved, That the Classis in committee of the whole at the session Wednesday night, with Rev. J. C. Leonard as Chairman, ordain the said Licentiates Frank L. Fesperman and Sterling W. Whitener to the gospel ministry.

The above resolution was carried out, and at the final session of Classis the following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee appointed to ordain Licentiate Frank L. Fesperman and Licentiate Sterling W. Whitener, who have been accepted and commissioned by the Board of Foreign Missions for service in Japan and China respectively, beg leave to report that this duty and privilege were attended to the evening of May 7, A. D. 1919, in Corinth Reformed Church, Hickory, North Carolina, the Classis sitting as a committee of the whole. The sermon was preached by Rev. Dr. James I. Good, of Philadelphia, President of the Board of Foreign Missions. In the laying on of hands the Chairman of the committee was assisted by Rev. H. A. Fesperman and Dr. Good.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. Leonard, *Chairman.*

ARTICLE XXIII.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

The following report was received and adopted:

Your Committee on Young People's Societies beg leave to report that the statistics have been tabulated in the blank furnished, and from these reports we find a total of 475 active

members, a falling off of 117. With reference to finances we find a decrease of $342. Four new organizations are recorded, viz., First, Greensboro; Grace, Newton; Grace, Faith Charge, and First, Charlotte.

Your committee recommend the following:

1. That a survey of the congregations be made with reference to the relation of the young people between the ages of twelve and twenty-five to the various forms of church activity.

2. That on the basis of the survey the effort be made to stimulate and, if necessary, organize or re-organize the Young People's work of the congregation.

3. That the attention of all the societies be called to the Summer Missionary Conferences and attendance urged.

4. That Young People's Day be observed on the third Sunday of October, 1919, and an offering given for the support of the Department.

5. Inasmuch as the wide-spread epidemic of influenza during the year 1918 greatly hindered and in many places prevented the observance of Y. P. Day, that all societies that did not observe the day in 1918 be requested to send a direct contribution to the Department, in order to make it possible to publish some much needed literature on Young People's work.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. L. Lyerly,
J. A. Palmer,
J. W. Younts.

The statistics will be found in the appendix.

ARTICLE XXIV.

MINUTES OF GENERAL SYNOD.

The following report was received, considered and finally adopted as a whole:

To the Reverend North Carolina Classis:

Your Committee on Minutes of Special Meeting of General Synod beg leave to report the following items:

1. Page 27. Synod met in special session in Christ Reformed Church, Altoona, Pa., on Tuesday, March 4, A. D. 1919, at 7.30 p. m.

2. Page 31. The following delegates from the Classis were present: Revs. W. H. McNairy, J. C. Leonard, D. D., Shuford Peeler, Walter W. Rowe.

3. Pages 105-107. Report of the General Committee of General Synod on reports of committees, Boards and other agencies of the Church.

4. Page 111. General Synod challenges the Sunday Schools of our Church to make an offering of $20,000 on Children's Day, 1919, the bulk of which shall be used for missionary work.

5. Page 113. The following proposed amendments are submitted to the Classes for approval:

Resolved, 1. That Art. 112 of the Constitution be amended as follows: The word "annually" shall be substituted for the word "triennially," so that the opening sentence shall read as follows: "The General Synod shall meet annually at the time and place appointed." Furthermore, that corresponding changes shall be made in the Constitution wherever required.

2. The following Article shall be added to Part II, Sec. 5 of the Constitution: A Synod may elect an Executive Commission, of which the President and the Stated Clerk shall be members. The number of members, the powers and duties

and the term of service of this Commission shall be determined by the Synod; provided that the judicial cases shall not be referred to the Executive Commission.

3. The following Article shall be added to Part II, Sec. 6 of the Constitution: The General Synod may elect an Executive Commission, of which the President and Stated Clerk shall be members. The number of members, the powers and duties, and the term of service of this Commission shall be determined by the General Synod; provided that the judicial cases shall be referred only to the Judicial Committee.

4. That Art. 67 of the Constitution be amended as follows: Within sixty days after the annual meeting of Classis, the Consistory or Joint Consistory shall meet and act upon all matters referred to it by Classis, and immediately thereafter said action shall be reported to the Stated Clerk of Classis.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER W. ROWE,
SHUFORD PEELER,
R. P. MURPHY.

The following action was taken on the Forward Movement:

WHEREAS, The General Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States, convened in special session in Altoona, Pa., March 4-6, 1919. inaugurated a great Forward Movement for all the activities of our denomination, including Home and Foreign Missions, Publication and Sunday Schools, Ministerial Relief, Schools, Colleges and Seminaries, Board of Education, looking to a stimulation in all avenues of benevolence.

Resolved, That the Classis of North Carolina heartily approves of the action taken by the General Synod, and that we pledge our undivided support to the success of the work, one of whose efforts is to raise the sum of $5,790,000 in the period of five years.

Resolved, That we call upon our pastors, consistories and members to organize for the success of this Forward Movement within our own bounds, and that to this end we call upon our people to form leagues of intercession, and to determine upon such lines of service and activity as will contribute to this end.

Resolved, That we heartily approve of the election of Dr. J. H. Apple, of Frederick, Md., as Executive Secretary of the Forward Movement, and that we pledge to him our cordial and united support.

Classis instructed the Treasurer to pay half the traveling expenses of each delegate attending the special meeting of the General Synod at Altoona, Pa., March 4-6, 1919.

ARTICLE XXV.

NECROLOGY.

The following report was received and adopted by a rising vote:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Necrology would report that during the year past no minister of our body has died.

Four elders and three deacons have been summoned, however, to their final reward. They are: Elder W. Murphy Jones, of Greensboro; Elder Joseph A. Leonard and Deacon John Smith, both of the Upper Davidson Charge; Elders John W. Veach and Joshua Black, of the Emanuel Charge; Deacon James N. Fleming, of the West Rowan Charge, and Deacon John H. Sykes, of Burlington.

References made in the parochial reports as to the extent and the severity of the influenza epidemic in our Classis, testify to the fact that our losses have been very few, for which we should be truly grateful to our heavenly Father, seeing that He has so graciously dealt with us.

We do not know how many sons of the Classis have made the supreme sacrifice in the World War. We know that many have. They have done their bit. They have made the supreme sacrifice. It remains for us to complete their task, to accomplish, indeed, the greater task even though it mean bleeding feet and bleeding hands and bleeding hearts. Certainly we dare accept nothing less as our goal.

Respectfully submitted,

S. J. Kirk,
L. A. Peeler,.
J. T. Plott.

ARTICLE XXVI.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The pastor loci, Rev. W. W. Rowe, delivered an address of welcome at the opening meeting of Classis. This was heartily responded to by the President.

The following action was taken with reference to next year's business:

Resolved, That in the interest of time and more system in the work of the Classis the President of this Classis be authorized to appoint some member of this body before the next annual meeting to prepare the Minutes of Synod as referred to

us; also at least five days before the next annual meeting of Classis the parochial reports with statistics be sent to the President of Classis, the Sunday School statistics to the Chairman of the Sunday School Committee, and the reports of Young People's work be sent to the Superintendent of this department.

The following miscellaneous sums were referred to the Committee on Finance for apportionment: Stated Clerk's salary and expenses, $62.17; Treasrer's salary and expenses, $33.00; printing Minutes of Classis, $175.00; Church-building Fund, $700.00; Contingent, $250.00; *Reformed Church Standard*, $600.00.

Classis ordered that the Business Manager and Editor-in-Chief of the *Reformed Church Standard* be paid $25 each a year, and that this action apply to the year just closed.

The following representatives of Boards and institutions addressed Classis:

Rev. J. M. Mullan, Superintendent of the Board of Home Missions.

Rev. J. G. Rupp, Field Agent of the Board of Foreign Missions.

Rev. James I. Good, D. D., President of the Board of Foreign Missions.

Rev. A. D. Wolfinger, President of Catawba College.

Rev. W. B. Werner, Superintendent of Nazareth Orphans' Home.

The subject matter of these several addresses was referred to the Standing Committees on these subjects.

In answering the constitutional questions Elder Edgar Clapp, of the Guilford Charge, and Elder W. C. Rose, of the West Rowan Charge, reported that the contract between minister and people in their charges had not been fulfilled. The Classis took action to send committees to visit the said charges to advise and assist in the settlement of arrearages. The committee for the Guilford Charge consists of Rev. J. D. Andrew and Elders J. T. Plott and J. F. Troxler. The committee for the West Rowan Charge consists of Rev. H. A. Welker and Elders J. W. Bowers and J. O. Moose.

During the Tuesday afternoon session the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, There is every reason why this meeting of Classis is a most important one, and that therefore there is need of deep consecration on the part of our ministers and elders,

Resolved, That a prayer meeting be held in the Sunday School rooms of the church this evening at 7.30 o'clock, and that we request the Stated Clerk to conduct this service for prayer.

Such a service of prayer was held at the hour named, attended by a large number of ministers and elders. The meeting was one of great spiritual power and uplift.

Revs. A. Shulenberger, M. L. Hedrick and P. M. Trexler asked to be excused for absence, and their requests were granted.

The following is the report of the Committee on Reporting for the Press, which was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis:

Your Committee on Press beg leave to report that news items concerning the work of the Classis were sent to the Hickory *Daily Record* each day, and this paper very kindly sent reports to the state papers.

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. WAGONER,
W. W. ROWE,
J. W. BOWERS.

The following resolution of thanks was adopted:

Resolved, That the Classis of North Carolina in its 89th annual session in Corinth Reformed Church, Hickory, N. C., does hereby express its thankfulness and gratitude to the pastor and members of this church and to the people of this town for the cordial reception, for the many kindnesses extended and for the royal entertainment while in their midst, and that we request the pastor to read this resolution from the pulpit.

Resolved, That Classis present the sum of $10 for the use of this church during the sessions.

ADJOURNED MEETING OF CLASSIS, MAY 23, 1919.

The Classis of North Carolina met in adjourned session in Faith Church, Salisbury, N. C., May 23, 1919, at 10 o'clock a. m. The Stated Clerk called Classis to order and nominated Rev. J. C. Peeler as President pro tem. Devotional services were conducted by Rev. C. C. Wagoner. The following members were present: Revs. C. C. Wagoner, H. A. Welker, J. C.

Leonard, J. C. Peeler, P. M. Trexler, W. B. Werner, J. M. L. Lyerly, P. Barringer, F. R. Lefever, W. C. Lyerly, G. E. Plott; Elders J. D. Holshouser, J. M. Holshouser, J. T. Plott; Licentiate A. C. Peeler.

A communication was read from General Synod's Board of Ministerial Relief. Rev. J. C. Leonard was appointed representative of Classis to present the claims of the Board.

Students Samuel A. Troxell and Aaron R. Tosh presented themselves for examination for licensure to preach the Gospel. Classis went into committee of the whole for this examination, with Rev. P. M. Trexler as Chairman. After the examination the committee of the whole arose and presented to Classis the following report:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee of the Whole on Examination and Licensure beg leave to report that we have examined Students Samuel A. Troxell and Aaron R. Tosh. We find the examination satisfactory. Respectfully submitted,

P. M. Trexler, *Chairman.*

The report was adopted. The students named came forward, and having subscribed to the constitutional formula were licensed to preach the Gospel.

A call to Licentiate Samuel A. Troxell from the Rockwell Charge was presented, found in order and confirmed. The following committee was appointed to ordain and install him pastor: Revs. C. C. Wagoner, F. L. Fesperman, Elder J. D. Holshouser.

A call from the Bear Creek Charge to Licentiate Aaron R. Tosh was presented, found in order and confirmed. The following committee was appointed to ordain and install him pastor: Revs. W. C. Lyerly, P. Barringer, Elder J. O. Moose.

There being no further business, the minutes were read and approved, and the Classis adjourned with prayer by Rev. P. M. Trexler.

J. C. PEELER, *President pro tem.*,
J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

ARTICLE XXVII.

RESUMPTION AND CLOSE.

The Committee on Leave of Absence presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Excuses beg leave to submit the following names of persons given leave of absence: H. G. Kopenhaver, J. A. Koons, J. E. Misenheimer, A. R. Holshouser, A. Klinger, Edward Clapp, Otis White, A. T. Delap, C. L. Kennedy, S. Peeler. Respectfully submitted,

D. C. COX,
J. A. PALMER,
J. W. CLINE.

At the last session, all business having been transacted, the roll was called and all persons not excused answered to their names. The Minutes of the day's session were read and approved.

ARTICLE XXVIII.

ADJOURNMENT.

The Classis adjourned finally Wednesday night, May 7, at 10.30 o'clock, to meet in adjourned session in Faith Reformed Church, Salisbury, N. C., May 23, A. D. 1919, at 10 o'clock a. m., and in annual sessions in the First Reformed Church, High Point, N. C., Tuesday, May 4, A. D. 1920, at 8 o'clock p. m.

A. S. PEELER, *President,*
J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

Attest: Official copy from the original Minutes.

J. C. LEONARD, *Stated Clerk.*

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES

Name of Congregation	Name of Society	Name and Address of Secretary	Members		Contributions			
			Active	Associate	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Other Benevolence	Congrega'al Purposes
Pilgrim, Upper Davidson	Y. P. S. C. E.	Ella Leonard, Lexington, N. C.	27		$	$	$11	$
First, Greensboro	Jr. Congregation.	Virgie Plott, Greensboro, N. C.	36				5	
First, Greensboro	Sr. Y P. S. C. E.	Pauline Gingrich, Greensboro, N. C.	14	6			5	5
First, Greensboro	Int. Y. P. S. C. E.	Thelma Davis, Greensboro, N. C.	12					
First, Greensboro	Jr. Y. P. S. C. E.	Mrs. E. L. Wagoner, Greensboro, N. C.	25		5		5	
Corinth, Hickory	Y. P. S. C. E.	Mary Abernetty, Hickory, N. C.	40		5	5	30	15
Bethel, Bear Creek Chg.	Y. P. S. C. E.	Pauline Penninger, Mt. Pleasant, N. C.	20					
First, High Point	Sr. Y. P. S. C. E.	J. S. Beaver, High Point, N. C.	24	6	4		3	8
First, High Poiut	Jr. Y. P. S. C. E.	Mrs. J. R. Young, High Point, N. C.	25					2
First, High Point	Earnest Workers	Mrs. J. W. Hedrick, High Point, N. C.	25	4				115
Grace, Newton	Sr. Y. P. S. C. E	Lois Herman, Newton, N. C.	41				17	
Grace, Newton	Jr. Y. P. S. C. E.	Pauline Moose, Newton, N. C.	18			3		
Grace, Newton	Jr. Congregation.	Elizabeth Herman, Newton, N. C	15					4
First, Lexington	Y. P. S. C. E.	Minnie Parks, Lexington, N C.	34		8		11	27
First, Lexington	Jr. Y. P. S. C. E.	Ethel Hedrick, Lexington, N. C.	30		5		3	36
Second, Lexington	Y P. S. C. E.	Mary Williams, Lexington, N. C	24		4		13	27
Bethel, High Point	Y. P. S C. E.	Mamie W. Goolsby, High Point, N. C.	14		5			5
Grace, Faith Charge	Y. P. S C. E.	Mary Wagoner, Rockwell, N. C.	27					
First, Charlotte	Y. P. S. C. E.	Bulah Linn, Charlotte, N. C.	24					
			475	16	$36	$8	$103	$244

STATISTICAL REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Name of Charge	Name of School	Name and Post Office Address of Superintendent	Name and Post Office Address of Primary Superintendent	MEMBERSHIP										Education					Church Relation			Contributions				
				1	Scholars							At Home										Missions				
				Officers and Teachers	2 Primary Dept. incl. Beginners	3 Junior Dept.	4 Intermediate Dept.	5 Senior Dept.	Total (This means the sum of cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)	Av. Attendance (based on cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)	6 Cradle Roll	7 Home Dept.	Total Enrollment (Add Cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7)	Book. in Library	Are Reformed Lesson Helps used in School?	No. Org. Adult Classes	Teacher Training Clas.	No. Teacher Training Students Enrolled	Mission Study Classes	Scholars in full Church Membership	Scholars Baptized but not Confirmed	Scholars Confirmed During the Year	Home	Foreign	Gen. Synod's S. S. Work	Other Benevolence and Other Objects	Expenses and Support of School
Hickory	Corinth	Charles H. Geitner, Hickory, N. C.	Mrs. H. C. Menzies, Hickory, N. C.	23	75	12	25	73	208	135	35	.....	234	.....	yes	2	.....	.....	.....	95	87	9	$15	.....	.....	$ 60	$163
Brookford	Brookford	C. E. Warner, Brookford, N. C.		9	55	12	.....	18	94	60	10	.....	104	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	.....	30	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	20	50
Lexington	1st Reformed	J. T. Hedrick, Lexington, N. C.	Mrs. J. C. Leonard, Lexington, N. C.	15	77	70	52	151	365	209	30	.....	395	320	yes	4	.....	.....	.....	230	50	28	12	33	.....	149	186
	2d Reformed	T. A. Swing, Lexington, N. C.	Mrs. M. P. Bain, Lexington, N. C.	10	65	69	.....	51	201	115	28	.....	229	60	yes	2	1	12	.....	85	13	10	25	.....	.....	37	48
High Point	1st Reformed	.....	.....	18	65	19	38	118	258	168	35	17	310	75	yes	3	.....	.....	.....	90	.....	9	.....	.....	.....	18	35
	Bethel	W. F. Clary, High Point, N. C.	.....	8	42	11	.....	20	81	40	.....	.....	81	.....	yes	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40
Concord	Trinity	Jacob O. Moose, Concord, N. C.	Mrs. D. S. Lippard, Concord, N. C.	18	35	24	8	41	126	68	.....	14	140	.....	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....	72	50	11	.....	.....	$ 6	93	103
Lenoir	Zion	K. A. Link, Lenoir, N. C.	Mrs. John McNairy, Lenoir, N. C.	11	12	8	.....	18	49	31	8	10	68	130	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....	22	15	.....	.....	.....	13	23	46
Lincolnton	Emanuel	A. P. Willis, Lincolnton, N. C.	.....	9	11	8	9	17	54	25	.....	.....	54	21	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....	29	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	42
Winston-Salem	Schlatter Mem.	E. A. Sink, Winston-Salem, N. C.	.....	9	46	25	.....	49	129	47	28	.....	157	25	yes	1	.....	.....	.....	44	6	6	3	.....	.....	15	32
Faith	Shiloh	J. W. Gardner, Salisbury, N. C.	.....	16	41	14	.....	64	135	91	15	.....	150	50	yes	.....	1	12	.....	74	76	8	.....	.....	11	154	185
	Grace	Benj. Wagoner, Rockwell, N. C., No. 1	.....	16	50	45	43	76	214	99	.....	.....	214	100	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....	124	90	5	.....	.....	.....	98	40
	Mt. Hope	Martin Weaver, Salisbury, N. C.	.....	11	34	34	28	25	132	70	.....	.....	132	.....	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....	52	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	8	37
Bear Creek	St. James'	O. A. Barringer, Mt. Pleasant, N. C.	.....	12	25	7	.....	40	84	65	.....	.....	84	.....	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....	54	29	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	76
	Bethel	M. G. Lentz, Gold Hill, N. C., No. 2	.....	19	40	30	30	156	275	135	.....	.....	275	.....	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....	185	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	65	60
	Boger	E. C. Sapp, Concord, N. C., No. 4	.....	12	49	18	.....	71	150	60	.....	.....	150	50	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....	66	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	50
Catawba	Trinity	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Bethany	L. P. Wilson, Claremont, N. C., No. 1	.....	7	18	6	.....	12	43	25	.....	.....	43	.....	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....	20	23	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	15
	Smyrna	Alva Martin, Catawba, N. C., No. 2	.....	9	45	20	.....	.....	140	85	12	.....	152	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	65	3	.....	.....	.....	12	50

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Name of Charge	Name of School	Name and Post Office Address of Superintendent	Name and Post Office Address of Primary Superintendent	MEMBERSHIP										Education					Church Relation		Contributions				
				1	Scholars						At Home														
				Officers and Teachers	2 Primary Dept. incl. Beginners	3 Junior Dept.	4 Intermediate Dept.	5 Senior Dept.	Total (This means the sum of cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)	Av. Attendance (based on cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)	6 Cradle Roll	7 Home Dept.	Total Enrollment (Add Cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7)	Books in Library	Are Reformed Lesson Helps used in School?	No. Org. Adult Classes	Teacher Training Clas.	No. Teacher Training Students Enrolled	Mission Study Classes	Scholars in full Church Membership	Scholars Baptized but not Confirmed	Scholars Confirmed During the Year	Missions: Home	Missions: Foreign	Gen. Synod's S. S. Work	Other Benevolence and Other Objects	Expenses and Support of School
U. Davidson	Beulah	W. H. Snyder, Welcome, N. C., No. 1	John Tussey, Welcome, N. C., No. 1	11	57	29		86	183	70			183		yes					120						26	55
	Bethany	J. P. Long, Wallburg, N. C., No. 1	Miss Artie Dale Murphy, Wallburg, N. C., No. 1	9	12	13	33	31	98	44			98		no					65		1				25	13
	Pilgrim	J. Thomas Leonard, Lexington, N. C., No. 1	Mrs. J. Shelby Leonard, Lexington, N. C., No. 1	14	41	40		106	200	109			200		yes					131						161	48
Rockwell	Ursinus	George H. Peeler, Rockwell, N. C.		11	37	14	29	60	157	92	10		167		yes		1	12		88	79					117	88
	Bethany	W. M. McCombs, Salisbury, N. C., No. 3		15	50	19	23	20	127	93	4		125	19	yes					43	87	10				13	53
	St. Luke's	David T. Peeler, Salisbury, N. C. ,No. 6		8	14	6	32		60	40	6		66		yes					27	13	6				30	24
Gilead	New Gilead	W. M. Penninger, Concord, N. C., No. 3		12	25	15		67	119	48			119		yes		1	4		68	45	9			5		42
	Keller	A. S. Cook, Concord, N. C., No. 3		8	12	18	24	20	82	42			82		yes		1	2		45	30	13			6	5	20
South Fork	Bethel	Gordon L. Whitner, Hickory, N. C., No. 1		8	15	10	10	30	73	50			73	25	yes					60	20	1	10			5	40
	St. Paul's	J. M. Bost, Newton, N. C.		8	20	15	15	50	108	60			108		yes	1				65	30	7	20			5	30
	Grace	Abraham Anthony, Lincolnton, N. C.		8	25	15	10	50	108	55			108		no					50	25		10			6	35
	Daniel's	J. R. Warlick, Reepsville. N. C.		6	5			25	36	20			36		yes					30	5		5			5	20
Burlington	Burlington	Herbert W. Coble, Burlington, N. C.		11	37	20	27	59	154	85			154		yes	1				85		11	5	4		26	124
Waughtown	1st Reformed	W. C. Lemons, Winston-Salem, N. C.		12	31	52	12	51	146	88	20	6	172		yes	3						25	5			19	102
	Hebron	A. A. Charles, Winston-Salem, No. 5.		9	21	15	40	9	85	55			85		yes	3											12
	Bethlehem	Baxter Livengood, Winston-Salem, No. 5.		8	18	19	27	9	73	29			73		yes	3											22
L. Davidson	Mt. Tabor	James Crotts, Lexington, N. C., No. 2	Miss Lizzie Lopp, Lexington, N. C., No. 2	12	30	26	10	47	125	71			125		yes	3				78	41	12				14	30
	Hedrick's Grove	E. A. Beck, Lexington, N. C., No. 2	Mrs. Grover Hedrick, Lexington, N. C., No. 2	10	24	14	13	57	118	57			118		yes	3				70	37					9	30
	Jerusalem	R. L. Hunt, Lexington, N. C., No. 2		8	20	19		42	89	48			89		no	2				54	27	2				8	18

STATISTICAL REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Name of Charge	Name of School	Name and Post Office Address of Superintendent	Name and Post Office Address of Primary Superintendent	Membership: 1 Officers and Teachers	Scholars: 2 Primary Dept. incl. Beginners	Scholars: 3 Junior Dept.	Scholars: 4 Intermediate Dept.	Scholars: 5 Senior Dept.	Total (This means the sum of cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)	Av. Attendance (based on cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)	At Home: 6 Cradle Roll	At Home: 7 Home Dept.	Total Enrollment (Add cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7)	Education: No. of Books in Library	Are Reform'd Lesson Helps used in School?	Education: No. Org. Adult Classes	Education: Teacher Training Clas.	Education: No. Teacher Training Students Enrolled	Education: Mission Study Classes	Church Relation: Scholars in full Church Membership	Church Relation: Scholars Baptized but not Confirmed	Church Relation: Scholars Confirmed During the Year	Contributions: Missions: Home	Contributions: Missions: Foreign	Contributions: Gen. Synod's S. S. Work	Contributions: Other Benevolence and Other Objects	Expenses and Support of School
Lower Davidson	Beck's	J. A. Tussey, Lexington, N. C., No. 6	Miss Jennie Burkhardt, Lexington, N. C., No. 6	12	38	17	15	52	134	78	.....	.....	134	.....	yes	3	.....	.....	.....	86	34	13	.....	.....	.....	21	35
Emanuel	Emanuel	W. T. Fouts, Thomasville, N. C.		14	63	24	46	41	188	101	.....	.....	188	.....	no	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	31
	Calvary	B. Black, Thomasville, N. C.		10	20	30	20	30	110	60	.....	.....	110	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	.....	65	.....	8	.....	.....	.....	62	16
	Zion	W. M. Ensley, Thomasville, N. C.		15	36	52	46	30	164	71	.....	.....	164	.....	no	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	16	18
West Rowan	Mt. Zion	G. A. Ramsaur, China Grove, N. C.		17	45	30	30	65	187	90	.....	.....	187	.....	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....	120	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	93
	St. Paul's	J. F. McKnight, China Grove, N. C.		7	8	11	8	39	73	50	.....	.....	73	.....	yes	1	.....	.....	.....	47	19	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	25
	1st Ref. Landis	O. L. Linn, Landis, N. C.		18	30	11	20	35	118	100	.....	.....	118	.....	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....	45	65	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	24
Thomasville	Heidelberg	F. M. Hunter, Thomasville, N. C.		13	25	30	25	33	125	75	25	.....	150	.....	yes	3	.....	.....	.....	80	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	50
Lincoln	Maiden Mem.	S. M. Finger, Maiden, N. C.		10	16	16	.....	24	64	38	.....	.....	64	.....	yes	3	.....	.....	.....	44	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	30	30
	St. Matthew's	H. J. Crooks, Lincolnton, N. C., No. 4		6	11	18	.....	16	45	24	.....	.....	45	.....	yes	1	.....	.....	.....	32	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9
Salisbury	Faith	C. M. C. Barger, Salisbury, N. C.	Mrs. G. C. Fisher, Salisbury, N. C.	10	39	.....	17	38	104	48	21	23	148	80	yes	2	.....	.....	.....	56	60	4	.....	13	3	27	61
Newton	Grace	W. A. Reinhardt, Newton, N. C.	Mrs. S. L. Herman, Newton, N. C.	15	25	35	24	57	156	85	15	22	193	40	yes	....	1	10	....	74	65	12	91	19	15	.....	239
Greensboro	1st Reformed	John T. Plott, Greensboro, N. C.	Miss Pauline Gingrich, Greensboro, N. C.	20	63	34	19	74	210	107	23	29	262	.....	yes	4	.....	.....	.....	87	.....	7	.....	.....	5	.....	135
Charlotte	1st Reformed	B. J. Summerow Charlotte, N. C.	Mrs. S. Peeler, Charlotte, N. C.	11	31	20	4	50	116	64	6	.....	122	.....	yes	2	.....	.....	.....	52	30	5	.....	.....	.....	65	170
Guilford	Mt. Hope	Milton C. Fouts, Julian, N. C.		11	30	38	.....	92	171	61	56	22	249	.....	yes	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	.....	65	37
	Brick	Wilbert D. Clapp, Burlington, N. C.		6	31	.....	.....	52	89	41	.....	.....	89	.....	no	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13	.....	.....	40	20
	St. Mark's	N. C. Jeffcoat, Burlington, N. C.		8	35	18	.....	68	139	41	.....	.....	189	100	yes	3	.....	.....	.....	48	.....	.....	8	.....	.....	20	21
Total number of charges, 29		Total number of schools in Classis, 55		642	1865	1195	834	2727	7215	3818	387	143	7808	1102		63	6	52		3336	1567	260	$142	$75	$64	1770	3088

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Index Number	Ministers	Post Office Address	Name of Charge or Congregation	Congregations	Members: Communicants	Members: Communed	Members: Unconfirmed	Baptisms: Infant	Baptisms: Adult	Additions: Confirmed	Additions: By Certificate	Additions: Renewal of Prof'n	Losses: Dismissed	Losses: Names Erased	Losses: Deaths, Communicts	Losses: Deaths, Unc'nfirmd	S. School: No. of Schools	S. School: Officers, Teacher	S. School: Scholars, Home Dept. and Cradle	Members Y.P. Societies	Students for Ministry	Contributions: Home Mission	Contributions: Foreign Mission	Contributions: Education	Contributions: Other Benevolence	Contributions: Congregational Purposes
	John Ingle	Green Park, N. C	Without Charge																							
	Michael L. Hedrick	Lexington, N. C., R. 6	Without Charge																							
	Peter M. Trexler, D. D.	Salisbury, N. C., R. 6	Without Charge																							
	Paul Barringer, D. D.	Mt. Pleasant, N. C	Without Charge																							
1	Jacob C. Leonard, D. D.	Lexington, N. C	First, Lexington	1	429	338	66	14	27	46	8	2	5	25	7	1	1	15	395	64	....	853	780	285	542	2368
	J. M. L. Lyerly, Ph. D.	Crescent, N. C	Without Charge																							
2	.....	.....	Pilgrim	1	245	190	.....	8	1	16	2	.....	3	.....	2	.....	1	13	200	27	....	70	70	41	161	587
3	James D. Andrew	Lexington, N. C., R. 1	Beulah	1	235	150	.....	5	1	15	3	.....	5	2	2	.....	1	11	183	.....	3	19	19	30	141	469
4	.....	Upper Davidson Charge	Bethany	1	70	50	.....	1	2	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	1	9	98	.....	....	7	8	10	35	200
	Julius H. Shuford	Hickory, N. C	Without Charge																							
5	William H. McNairy	Lincolnton, N. C	Emanuel, Lincolnton	1	71	38	16	2	.....	2	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	1	9	54	.....	....	54	54	52	60	880
	Henry E. Sechler	China Grove, N. C	Without Charge																							
6	John H. Keller	China Grove, N. C	Mt. Zion	1	270	190	160	19	.....	.....	2	1	74	.....	6	.....	1	17	170	.....	....	.....	20	200	700	15200
7	.....	West Rowan Charge	St. Paul's	1	59	55	19	2	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....	1	7	73	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	100	225
8	David E. Bowers	Winston-Salem, N. C	First, Waugtown	1	99	84	1	.....	34	1	8	5	.....	.....	1	.....	1	12	172	.....	....	21	13	.....	216	248
9	.....	Waughtown Charge	Hebron	1	92	65	23	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	2	1	.....	1	9	80	.....	1	17	17	.....	115	193
10	.....	.....	Bethlehem	1	41	21	1	1	1	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	7	57	.....	....	9	7	.....	40	50
11	Walter W. Rowe	Hickory, N. C	Corinth, Hickory	1	326	270	125	25	.....	9	10	.....	12	.....	6	2	1	23	220	65	....	350	300	150	1228	3000
12	Shuford Peeler	Charlotte, N. C	First, Charlotte	1	51	45	20	7	.....	3	22	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	11	116	24	....	28	56	13	293	1625
	A. R. Holshouser, M.D.	Rockwell, N. C	Without Charge																							
	Anthony Shulenberger	China Grove, N. C	Without Charge																							
	E. Garver Williams, D.D	Tabor, N. C	Without Charge																							
13	Lee A. Peeler	Newton, N. C	Grace, Newton	1	200	129	68	9	.....	13	7	.....	10	4	3	.....	1	15	178	74	....	408	238	341	294	2616
	Joseph W. Bell	San Jose, Calif	Without Charge																							
14	A. Samuel Peeler	Lenoir, N. C	Zion, Lenoir	1	58	46	18	1	1	8	1	.....	3	2	.....	.....	1	11	75	.....	....	94	88	.....	631	1122
15	Columbus C. Wagoner	Salisbury, N. C	Faith, Salisbury	1	90	73	60	5	1	6	6	1	9	.....	.....	3	1	10	148	.....	....	101	114	105	86	1066
16	Dougan C. Cox	Thomasville, N. C	Emanuel	1	160	120	45	9	14	18	1	.....	3	24	4	.....	1	10	188	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	28	444
17	.....	Emanuel Charge	Calvary	1	82	63	1	1	5	8	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	10	110	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	113	130
18	.....	.....	Zion	1	111	49	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	15	164	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	31	195
	John A. Koons	Spencer, N. C	Without Charge																							
19	Jacob A. Palmer	Thomasville, N. C	Heidelberg, Thomasville	1	115	70	32	8	3	6	2	1	4	.....	2	.....	1	13	152	.....	....	90	49	34	145	977
20	.....	.....	Hedrick's Grove	1	87	80	34	4	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	1	10	118	.....	....	10	10	10	110	375
21	John C. Peeler	Lexington, N. C., R. 2	Mt. Tabor	1	80	74	31	2	7	12	2	3	.....	.....	2	1	1	12	125	.....	....	8	8	9	108	295
22	.....	Lower Davidson Charge	Jerusalem	1	40	36	20	1	3	3	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	1	1	8	89	.....	....	4	4	5	75	205
23	.....	.....	Beck's	1	141	128	86	7	7	13	2	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	12	134	.....	....	15	15	10	160	475
	Albert F. Nace	Jonesboro, Tenn	Without Charge																							
24	William C. Lyerly	Concord, N. C	Trinity, Concord	1	115	88	39	2	.....	11	7	.....	.....	8	2	.....	1	18	120	.....	....	86	86	176	276	987
25	Harvey A. Welker	Salisbury, N. C., R. 3	Shiloh	1	103	87	76	5	.....	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	16	150	.....	1	78	78	40	50	4535
26	.....	Faith Charge	Grace	1	170	156	90	8	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	3	.....	2	1	16	214	27	....	68	68	60	.....	.....
27	.....	.....	Mt. Hope	1	65	52	119	1	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1	11	132	.....	....	35	35	.....	8	194

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	Ministers	Post Office Address	Name of Charge or Congregation	Congregations	Members			Baptisms		Additions			Losses				S. Schools			Members Y.P. Societies	Students for Ministry	Contributions					
					Com municants	Communed	Unconfirmed	Infant	Adult	Confirmed	By Certificate	Renewal of Prof'n	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths Communic'ts	Deaths Unconfirmd	No. of Schools	Officers, Teachers	Scholars, Home Dep't and Cradle			Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Education	Other Benevolences	Congregational Purposes
28	G. Ermine Platt	Winston-Salem, N. C.	Schlatter Memorial	1	36	30	6	1	6	6	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	9	120	12	...	17	17	.....	55	181
	.....	.....	Winston-Salem																							
	H.A.M. Holshouser, Ph.D.	Winston-Salem, N. C.	Without Charge																							
29	.....	.....	St. Paul's	1	112	75	20	11	.....	7	1	.....	2	.....	1	.....	1	8	108	.....	...	64	64	75	76	250
30	Harvey A. Fesperman	Newton, N. C., R. 1	Bethel	1	73	60	15	2	.....	3	2	.....	1	4	.....	.....	1	8	73	.....	1	64	64	105	66	250
31	.....	South Fork Charge	Grace	1	78	50	15	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	4	.....	.....	1	8	108	.....	...	64	64	55	96	250
32	.....	.....	Daniel's	1	50	35	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	6	36	.....	...	64	64	62	60	250
	A. D. Wolfinger, D. D.	Newton, N. C.	President Catawba College																							
	Harvey G. Kopenhaver	Newton, N. C.	Prof. Catawba College																							
33	.....	.....	Mt. Hope	1	159	122	48	1	6	11	1	4	2	.....	5	.....	1	11	249	.....	...	105	.....	.....	120	600
34	Albert Klinger	Julian, N. C., R. 1	Brick	1	88	75	30	2	4	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	1	8	89	.....	1	74	.....	.....	100	350
35	.....	Guilford Charge	St. Mark's	1	70	40	20	.....	2	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	1	8	139	.....	...	43	.....	.....	50	500
36	.....	.....	Fairview	1	12	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	60
	William B. Werner	Crescent, N. C.	Supt. Nazareth O. H.																							
37	Roy E. Leinbach	High Point, N. C.	First, High Point	1	136	75	34	3	5	.....	4	.....	.....	9	1	.....	1	18	.....	80	...	80	75	.....	28	1369
38	Frank R. Lefever	Greensboro, N. C.	First, Greensboro	1	143	102	31	7	5	7	11	4	11	7	2	1	1	20	243	93	...	205	96	67	336	2700
39	Samuel J. Kirk	Burlington, N. C.	First, Burlington	1	160	65	108	2	9	2	4	2	7	6	2	1	1	.....	.....	..		8	3	.....	75	687
40	J. Wade Huffman	High Point, N. C.	Bethel ,High Point	1	44	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	16	1	.....	1	8	73	14	...	22	.....	.....	66	100
41	.....	.....	St. James'	1	89	45	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	12	.....	.....	...	72	72	99	70	210
42	Aaron R. Tosh	Mt. Pleasant, N. C.	Bethel	1	214	192	36	5	.....	.....	2	.....	4	.....	1	.....	1	19	275	.....	...	50	161	32	27	285
43	.....	Bear Creek Charge	Boger	1	66	47	40	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	1	.....	1	12	150	55	1	30	30	30	30	.....
44	.....	.....	St. Luke's	1	58	50	35	6	.....	8	.....	.....	1	.....	1	.....	1	8	6	25	...	10	10	.....	19	116
45	Samuel A. Troxell	Rockwell, N. C.	Ursinus	1	105	88	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	5	.....	.....	1	17	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	300	600
46	.....	Rockwell Charge	Bethany	1	78	62	22	4	2	10	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	15	127	.....	1	.....	.....	60	160	378
47	.....	.....	Smyrna	1	45	37	29	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	12	122	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
48	.....	Conover, N. C.	Bethany	1	44	30	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	7	52	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
49	Vacant	Catawba Charge	Trinity	1	104	90	38	3	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	10	100	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	393	390
	.....	.....	St. John's																							
50	J. C. Leonard, Supply	Lexington, N. C.	Second, Lexington	1	110	71	12	1	17	22	2	4	.....	13	4	.....	1	10	229	24	...	30	30	57	138	562
51	W. W. Rowe, Supply	Hickory, N. C.	Faith, Brookford	1	50	40	25	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	.....	.....	1	9	95	.....	...	20	20	10	70	115
52	W. C. Lyerly, Supply	Concord, N. C.	New Gilead	1	140	114	65	9	1	12	4	.....	.....	14	3	2	1	12	107	.....	...	75	75	22	126	453
53	.....	Gilead Charge	Keller	1	48	39	20	.....	.....	13	.....	.....	2	6	.....	.....	1	8	74	.....	...	30	30	6	20	152
54	.....	Maiden, N. C.	Memorial	1	106	45	30	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	7	2	.....	1	10	64	.....	...	.....	.....	14	110	190
55	Vacant	Lincoln Charge	Salem	1	28	25	7	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	19	89	100
56	.....	.....	St. Matthew's	1	125	75	45	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	1	9	45	.....	...	.....	.....	37	98	100
57	.....	Blowing Rock, N. C.	Mt. Bethel	1	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
58	.....	.....	First, Landis	1	88	60	71	1	2	10	75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	18	118	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	8600
	Frank L. Fesperman	Rockwell, N. C.																								
	Sterling W. Whitener	Hickory, N. C.																								
				58	6267	4620	1992	294	166	333	212	33	183	174	78	16	55	630	6717	584	10	3552	3012	2321	8530	58451

	CHURCH	SECRETARY OF CONSISTORY OF CHARGE OR CONGREGATION	P. O. ADDRESS	Organization				CONTRIBUTIONS										Value of Church Property	
				Officers		6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
				4	5														
				Elders	Deacons	Number of Families	Weekly Church Paper Taken	Sunday School Extens'n & Educat'n	Ministerial Relief	Beneficiary Education	Theological Seminary	Colleges	Academies	Orphans' Homes	Sustentation	Contingent Expenses	Other Objects of Benevolence	Churches	Parsonages
1	First, Lexington	J. T. Hedrick	Lexington	10	10	180	20	55	41	43	3	140	....	290	40	650	1098	26500	2500
2	Pilgrim	A. P. Long	Thomasville, R. 1	6	6	65	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	33	....	64	....	103	161	3000	3000
3	Beulah	M. L. Sowers	Lexington, R. 4	6	6	79	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	16	....	96	45	2000	.....
4	Bethany	W. A. Murphy	Thomasville, R. 1	4	4	33	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	....	9	....	33	34	3000	.....
5	Emanuel	J. A. Shuford	Lincolnton	3	3	34	.....	.....	6	8	3	40	....	9	....	32	60	15000	.....
6	Mt. Zion	J. E. Correll	China Grove	6	6	105	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	200	....	100	....	.....	706	20000	1500
7	St. Paul's	J. F. McKnight	China Grove	4	4	28	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	8	....	40	....	225	100	2000	.....
8	First	J. S. Wear	35 Light st., Winston-Salem	5	5	55	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	38	....	33	....	25	154	5000	2000
9	Hebron	C. I. Nifong	Winston-Salem, R. 4	4	4	42	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	54	....	5	....	44	46	1500	.....
10	Bethlehem	O. H. Bodenhamer	Winston-Salem, R. 5	2	2	19	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16	....	.....	....	18	22	1000	.....
11	Corinth	J. W. Warlick	Hickory	10	10	160	30	.....	32	36	15	100	....	300	....	155	2390	30000	6000
12	First	J. C. Peck	Charlotte	4	4	25	8	6	3	4	2	5	....	47	....	16	220	28000	4000
13	Grace	C. M. Rowe	Newton	8	8	79	30	15	20	22	9	310	....	49	....	93	763	7500	2500
14	Zion	A. A. Blackwelder	Lenoir	4	4	24	8	13	5	5	2	98	....	136	....	25	527	3000	2500
15	Faith	G. C Fisher	Salisbury	5	5	29	17	.....	9	9	4	93	....	48	....	41	207	8000	2000
16	Emanuel	H. A. Grimes	Thomasville	4	5	69	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	....	80	28	1500	2000
17	Calvary	B. Black	Thomasville	3	2	34	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	....	32	51	1800	.....
18	Zion	W. T. Murphy	Thomasville	4	4	36	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	16	....	53	20	1500	.....
19	Heidelberg	F. M. Hunter	Thomasville	5	5	60	1	.....	11	12	5	17	....	.....	....	53	134	4000	1700
20	Hedrick's Grove	R. L. Beck	Lexington, R. 2	4	4	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	....	42	110	500	1000
21	Mt. Tabor	A. H. Kepley	Lexington, R. 2	4	4	29	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	....	31	108	2000	.....
22	Jerusalem	P. I. Younts	Lexington, R. 2	4	4	16	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	....	17	75	1000	.....
23	Beck's	W. E. Rhodes	Lexington, R. 6	4	4	44	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	....	61	160	1000	.....
24	Trinity	J. H. A. Holshouser	Concord	6	6	48	14	.....	11	12	5	159	....	102	....	51	113	5000	3000
25	Shiloh	J. D. A. Fisher	Salisbury, R.	4	4	45	5	11	9	10	4	15	2	120	10	39	25	1500	1500
26	Grace	Lewis M. Holshouser	Rockwell	4	4	81	5	5	4	5	2	8	1	116	5	70	28	3600	4000
27	Mt. Hope	G. H. Bless	China Grove, R. 1	4	4	21	.....	5	4	5	2	10	1	6	3	27	3	3500	.....
28	Schlatter Memorial	E. A. Sink	101 Heled st., Winston-Salem	2	2	18	12	.....	2	2	1	4	....	8	....	10	55	20000	4000
29	St. Paul's	J. R. Fulbright	Newton, R.	4	4	40	2	.....	8	9	4	62	....	25	....	38	50	1400	1000
30	Bethel	Gordon Whitener	Hickory, R. 1	4	4	34	.....	.....	8	9	4	92	....	8	....	38	37	1800	.....

	CHURCH	SECRETARY OF CONSISTORY OF CHARGE OR CONGREGATION	POSTOFFICE ADDRESS	Organization				CONTRIBUTIONS										Value of Church Property	
				Officers		6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
				4 Elders	5 Deacons	Number of Families	Weekly Church Paper Taken	Sunday School Missions & Education	Ministerial Relief	Beneficiary Education	Theological Seminary	Colleges	Academies	Orphan's Homes	Sustentation	Contingent Expenses	Other Objects of Benevolence	Churches	Parsonages
31	Grace	A. M. Icard	Lincolnton, R.	4	4	37			8	9	3	42		21		38	55	2600	
32	Daniel's	J. R. Warlick	Reepsville	3	3	15	1		8	8	4	52		17		38	25	1500	
33	Mt. Hope	Robert Andrew	Sedalia	6	4	80								21			120	3000	1800
34	Brick	James Shaw	Whitsett, R. 1	6	4	41								21			50	3000	
35	St. Mark's	E. C. Rumbley	Burlington, R. 4	4	4	55								8			40	1000	
36	Fairview	Prof. Joynert	Whitsett	1	1	5												2000	
37	First	J. R. Young	High Point	6	6	65						2160				68	28	20000	
38	First	J. M. Kirk	408 Spring st., Greensboro	5	5	72		5	14	17	3	47		79		106	132	18000	4800
39	First	Herbert W. Coble	Burlington	6	6	65		7									137	3500	3500
40	Bethel	G. Y. Stone	High Point	3	3	30										21	67	5000	2000
41	St. James'	O. A. Barringer	Mt. Pleasant	4	4	31	12		8	9	4	100		138		40		900	1200
42	Bethel	J. H. Moose, jr	Gold Hill, R. 3	4	4	63	6					100		115		88		2500	
43	Boger	B. E. Wilson	Concord, R. 4	2	2	24						30		10		32	20	1000	
44	St. Luke's	G. A. Trexler	Salisbury	4	2	18				5		10		28				1400	
45	Ursinus	J. L. Fisher	Rockwell, R. 2	4	4	35											150	1500	1500
46	Bethany	Robert E. Patterson	Crescent	3	3	18	3	10						27			140	1100	
47	Smyrna	B. A. Hildebrand	Catawba, R. 2	4	4	18												500	
48	Bethany	L. A. Wilson	Claremont, R. 1	4	2	15												600	
49	Trinity	A. L. Shuford	Conover	4	4				10	11	5	15				44		2000	
	St. John's			4	4	28	12												
50	Second	T. A. Swing	Lexington	4	4	60	3	4	10	11	1	45		35	18	41	80	2000	
51	Faith	C. E. Warren	Brookford	3	3	30						9		10		29	72	900	
52	New Gilead	Rufus Cline	Concord, R. 3	4	4	65	2					22		68		67	38	2500	1000
53	Keller	Harris Cook	Concord, R. 3	2	2	22						6		10		20	10	750	
54	Memorial	S. M. Finger	Maiden	4	4	71												2000	
55	Salem	Jacob Ramsaur	Lincolnton	3	2	7												800	2000
56	St. Matthew's	H. J. Crooks	Lincolnton	3	3	27												3000	
57	Mt. Bethel																		
58	First, Landis	J. P. Linn	Landis	4	4	28	8											22000	
				249	240	2587	229	136	231	261	85	4150	4	2155	76	2830	8714	328150	62000

STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES, 1917-1918

SYNODS	Ministers	Licentiates	Congregations	Members			Additions					Losses				S. Schools			Members Y. P. Societies	Students for Ministry	Contributions				
				Communicants	Communed	Unconfirmed	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confirmed	By Certificate	Renewals	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths Communic'ts	Deaths Unconfirmd	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars, Home Dept. and Cradle			Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Education	Other Benevolences	Congregational Purposes
Eastern	371	13	564	138242	106072	62671	5380	594	4670	2131	1470	2028	2628	2111	711	601	12567	123499	16314	77	$73 109	$79986	$42195	$120467	$987884
Ohio	174	5	226	32939	25722	6883	855	495	1162	948	508	763	1096	434	135	195	3605	34557	3470	17	$23 862	24504	27545	113037	280632
Northwest	154	6	224	20407	14723	10737	1114	34	887	247	549	307	339	231	82	209	1267	10604	1105	29	13 784	5239	11699	17636	173116
Pittsburgh	116	1	170	26416	20965	12293	1368	177	980	491	259	444	648	354	149	153	2283	24694	1923	9	19 579	21272	8839	39351	236173
Potomac	195	10	322	51581	40091	19273	1524	373	1722	981	245	851	905	706	251	305	5019	50604	6153	54	29 005	29520	34024	45896	323298
German of East	71	....	60	19481	14624	7452	1285	25	746	94	678	164	713	359	122	59	1189	15378	3165	10	3 532	5609	7373	6571	164155
Central	98	....	99	25215	17390	9618	895	120	773	283	345	272	835	302	112	98	1714	21144	2574	20	11 345	8277	11594	16000	202714
Interior	42	....	58	4668	3642	1382	148	137	214	83	84	136	214	45	21	54	743	5605	821	8	6662	4702	386	7251	50816
Southwest	58	....	62	11206	8137	5008	442	73	377	74	143	68	271	172	73	64	795	9523	1380	15	6 568	4016	5644	12452	84829
Total	1279	35	1785	330155	251366	135317	13911	2028	11531	5332	4282	5033	7649	4774	1656	1740	29182	295608	36905	239	187 446	182195	149299	378661	2503667

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Art. IV.—Permanent Committees.

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MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, JUNE 25, 1919.

The Executive Committee met in harmony with the following call:

Lexington, N. C., June 11, 1919.

Dear Brother:—The Executive Committee of the Classis of North Carolina will meet in the First Reformed parsonage, Lexington, June 25, 1919, at 10.00 o'clock a. m., to attend to the following:

1. Reception of Licentiate Oliver H. Sensenig from Lancaster Classis, Eastern Synod. 2. Call to Licentiate O. H. Sensenig from the Catawba Charge. 3. Reception of Mr. A Odell Leonard as a student for the ministry. 4. Request of Student John Fesperman to be released from the care of Classis. 5. Reports of any Ordination and Installation Committees. 6. Notice of reception of any licentiate dismissed by Classis. Please notify your elder.

By order of the President.

J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

The following action was taken:

1. Licentiate Oliver H. Sensenig was received from Lancaster Classis, Eastern Synod, and his name placed on the roll of ministers.

2. The call to Licentiate O. H. Sensenig from the Catawba Charge was found in order and confirmed. The following committee was appointed to ordain and install him pastor: Revs. J. C. Peeler, W. W. Rowe, Elder C. C. Bost

3. On the recommendation of the Beneficiary Education Committee Mr. A. Odell Leonard, a member of the First Church of Lexington, was received under the care of Classis as a student for the Gospel ministry.

In this connection the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Classis of North Carolina respectfully requests the Board of Education, Synod of Potomac, to grant to Mr. A. Odell Leonard, Lexington, North Carolina, a student for the Gospel ministry under the care of the Classis of North Carolina, beneficiary aid in the sum of two hundred dollars per year during the time of his course of study in the Theological Seminary.

4. The Committee on the Solliday Beneficiary Education Fund having reported that Mr. John Fesperman had made satisfactory arrangements in regard to the repayment of money advanced to him, he was released from the care of Classis as a student for the Gospel ministry.

5. The following reports were received and adopted:

(a) To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

We, your committee appointed to ordain Licentiate S. Arthur Troxell and install him pastor of the Rockwell Charge, beg leave to report this duty attended to the afternoon of May 25, 1919. All members of the committee were present.

C. C. WAGONER,
F. L. FESPERMAN,
J. D. HOLSHOUSER.

(b) To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee appointed to ordain Licentiate Aaron R. Tosh and install him pastor of the Bear Creek Charge report that this duty was attended to on Sunday, June 1, 1919, at St. James' Church, Mt. Pleasant. The sermon was preached by Rev. Dr. P. Barringer, the organizer and first pastor of said church. Elder J. O Moose delivered the charge to the congregation. The ordination and installation services were conducted by Rev. W. C. Lyerly.

Respectfully submitted,
W. C. LYERLY,
PAUL BARRINGER,
J. O. MOOSE.

(c) The committee attended to the ordination of Licentiate J. Wade Huffman and his installation as pastor of Bethel Church, High Point, June 8, 1919. The chairman preached the sermon, Rev. R. E. Leinbach conducted the liturgical service and Elder Edgar Whitener read the Scripture and offered prayer.

A. D. WOLFINGER, Chairman.

6. Classis received official notice of the reception of Student Jacob N. Lyerly by the Classis of Iowa, Interior Synod, and Licentiate Augustus C. Peeler by Virginia Classis, Potomac Synod.

J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, JULY 18, 1919.

The Executive Committee met in obedience to the following call:

Lexington, N. C., July 4, 1919.

Dear Brother:—The Classis of North Carolina will meet in the First Church parsonage, Lexington, July 18, 1919, at 10 o'clock a. m., to attend to the following:

1. Call to Rev. John A. Koons from the Lincoln Charge. 2. Report of the Committee on the Ordination and Installation of Licentiate

O. H. Sensenig. 3. Notice of reception of any one dismissed by Classis. Please notify your elder.

By order of the President.
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

The following action was taken:

1. The call from the Lincoln Charge to Rev. John A. Koons was found in order and confirmed. The following Installation Committee was appointed: Revs. H. G. Kopenhaver, W. H. McNairy and Elder H. D. Warlick.

2. The following report was received and adopted:
To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee appointed to ordain Licentiate Oliver H. Sensenig to the Gospel ministry and install him pastor of the Catawba Charge beg leave to report the matter attended to June 29, 1919, in Trinity Reformed Church, Conover, with all the members of the committee present and participating.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. PEELER Chairman.

3. Official notice was received of the reception of Licentiate Geo. A. Ingle by Iowa Classis, Synod of the Interior.

J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, SEPT. 2, 1919.

This meeting was in harmony with the following call:

Lexington, N. C., August 19, 1919.

Dear Brother:—The Executive Committee of the Classis of North Carolina will meet in the First Reformed parsonage, Lexington, September 2, 1919, at 10 o'clock a. m., to consider the following:

1. Request of Student O. B. Michael to take a year's University work before entering the Seminary. 2. Notice of the enrollment of Kannapolis by the Board of Missions. 3. An expression of thanks from the Board of Missions concerning the Spencer interest. 4. Report of the committee on the Kannapolis interest. 5. Report on the organization of the Joint Consistory of the new charge consisting of St. Paul's and the church at Kannapolis. 6. Reports of any other committees that have completed their work. Please notify your elder.

By order of the President.
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

The following action was taken:

1. The request of Student O. B. Michael was read; also a letter from the Solliday Beneficiary Education Committee recommending that his request be granted. The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That permission be granted to Student O. Bain Michael to take one year's University course in advanced literary work before entering a Theological Seminary, with the requirement that at the end of the said University year he shall enter the Theological Seminary for the full course of studies in harmony with the stipulations of the Solliday Trust Fund.

2. A letter from Dr. C. E. Schaeffer, Secretary of the Board of Missions, was read, stating that Student Banks J. Peeler had been commissioned to do work in Kannapolis during the summer and that at the July meeting of the Board, Kannapolis had been enrolled as a mission with an appropriation of $700. The item was adopted.

3. A letter from the Recording Secretary of the Board of Missions was read, expressing the thanks of the Board for the reimbursing of the Board by the Classis for the money loss on the Spencer chapel. The item was adopted.

4. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on the Kannapolis Interest was instructed to urge the Board of Home Missions to enroll Kannapolis as a permanent mission. The Board enrolled Kannapolis Mission at their July meeting with an appropriation. The committee organized the Kannapolis Reformed Church July 27, 1919, at their regular place of worship, the North School Building. Thirty-six members who had signed the charter membership list were enrolled. Two elders and two deacons were duly elected and installed. Two members of the committee were present. Your committee recommend that the Kannapolis Reformed Church be enrolled as a congregation in the Classis of North Carolina.

Respectfully submitted,
W. C. LYERLY, Chairman.

5. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

The Kannapolis Reformed Church and St. Paul's Reformed Church were constituted the Kannapolis Charge by the organization of the Joint Consistory at St. Paul's Church, August 17, 1919. Four elders and four deacons of St. Paul's and two elders and two deacons of Kannapolis were present. The committee recommend that the Kannapolis Charge be enrolled in the Classis.

Respectfully submitted,
W. C. LYERLY, Chairman.

6. The following reports were received and adopted:

Your committee appointed to secure a pastor for the Lincoln Charge beg leave to report that a pastor has been secured in the person of Rev. J. A. Koons. In accordance with the instructions of Classis, Rev. H. G. Kopenhaver supplied the charge until a regular pastor was secured. Respectfully submitted,

W. W. ROWE,
H. A. FESPERMAN.
A. L. SHUFORD.

Your committee appointed to install Rev. J. A. Koons pastor of the Lincoln Charge report the duty attended to at St. Matthew's Church, August 17, 1919, Revs. H. G. Kopenhaver and W. H. McNairy being present. Respectfully submitted.

H. G. KOPENHAVER,
W. H. McNAIRY.

J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, SEPT. 26, 1919.

The Executive Committee met in harmony with the following call:

Lexington, N. C., September 11, 1919.

Dear Brother:—The Executive Committee of the Classis of North Carolina will meet in the First Reformed parsonage, Lexington, Sept. 26, 1919, at 10 o'clock a. m., to attend to the following:

1. Resignation of Rev. L. A. Peeler as pastor of Grace Church, Newton. 2. Call to Rev. L. A. Peeler from the Kannapolis Charge. 3. Call to Rev. J. H. Keller from the West Rowan Charge. 4. Reports from any committees that have completed their work. Please notify your elder. By order of the President.

J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

The following action was taken:

1. The proper papers being in hand, the pastoral relation between Grace Church, Newton, and Rev. L. A. Peeler was dissolved and the charge declared vacant.

2. The call to Rev. L. A. Peeler from the Kannapolis Charge was found in order and confirmed, and the following Installation Committee appointed: Revs. W. C. Lyerly, J. H. Keller and Elder J. O. Moose.

3. The call to Rev. J. H. Keller from the West Rowan Charge was found in order and confirmed, and the following Installation Committee was appointed: Revs. A. Shulenberger, Shuford Peeler and A. R. Tosh.

4 There were no papers on this item.

J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, DEC. 10, 1919.

The Executive Committee met in harmony with the following call:

Lexington, N. C., Nov. 26, 1919.

Dear Brother:—The Executive Committee of the Classis of North Carolina will meet in the First Reformed Church, Lexington, Dec. 10, 1919, at 10 o'clock a. m., to attend to the following items:

1. Appoint a Classical Chairman of the Forward Movement. 2. Group the churches in a convenient way for the plans of the Forward Movement. 3. Appoint a Group Leader for each section. Please notify your elder.

By order of the President.
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

The following action was taken:

1. Rev. W. C. Lyerly was appointed Classical Chairman of the Forward Movement.

2 and 3. The following grouping of the churches of the Classis was made: (a) Greensboro Group, Rev. F. R. Lefever, leader; Greensboro, Burlington, Winston-Salem, First and Bethel of High Point, Waughtown Charge, Guilford Charge. (b) Davidson Group, Rev. J. C. Peeler, leader; Thomasville, First and Second of Lexington, Lower Davidson, Upper Davidson, Emanuel Charges. (c) Rowan Group, Rev. J. H. Keller, leader; Salisbury, Faith, Rockwell, West Rowan Charges. (d) Cabarrus Group, Rev. W. C. Lyerly, leader; Charlotte, Concord, Gilead, Bear Creek, Kannapolis Charges. (e) Catawba Group, Rev. W. W. Rowe, leader; Newton, Hickory, Catawba, South Fork, Lincolnton, Lenoir, Lincoln Charges.

J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

SPECIAL MEETING OF CLASSIS, FEBRUARY 6, 1920.

The Classis met in obedience to the following call:

Lexington, N. C., January 22, 1920.

Dear Brother:—There will be a special meeting of Classis in Faith Reformed Church, Salisbury, February 6, 1920, at 12 o'clock noon, to consider all phases of the Forward Movement of the Reformed Church. There should be a full attendance of ministers and elders as well as other members of the several churches of the Classis, both men and women. Please notify your elder.

By order of the President
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

In the absence of the Stated Clerk, Rev. J. C. Peeler was appointed Stated Clerk pro tem. Devotional services were conducted by Rev.

O. H. Sensenig. The following members were present: Revs. J. H. Keller, D. E. Bowers, W. W. Rowe, S. Peeler, L. A. Peeler, A. S. Peeler, C. C. Wagoner, J. A. Koons, J. C. Peeler, W. C. Lyerly, H. A. Welker, G. E. Plott, A. D. Wolfinger, F. R. Lefever, A. R. Tosh, S. A. Troxell, O. H. Sensenig; Elders J. L. Fisher, J. D. Holshouser, W. C. Rose. The following were present from churches in Classis: E. D. Fox, D. T. Peeler, J. W. Peeler, F. M. Holshouser, G. C. Fisher, H. C. Corriher, J. L. Peeler, L. M. Holshouser, M. T. Roseman, Ray Peeler, Mrs. Crowell, Mrs. C. P. Kline, Mrs. W. C. Lyerly, Mrs. C. C. Wagoner, Mrs. Parks, Mrs. L. A. Peeler, Miss Stella Foil. Rev. W. F. DeLong, of Lebanon Classis, Regional Secretary, was invited to a seat as an advisory member.

The Group Leaders of the Classis presented the following recommendations:

1. That the Classis give hearty endorsement to the whole campaign of the Forward Movement, and accept the plan of work outlined by the several departments of the Forward Movement.

2. That the Classis ascertain by inquiry of those present the status of the Forward Movement in the several churches of Classis.

3. That the Classis recommend the Winter Program to all pastors and congregations as a guide for work.

4. That this Classis urge all pastors to challenge the members to join the Fellowship of Stewardship February 22d, churches not having services on that date to use the Sunday nearest to it.

5. That the Classis make February 29th Life Service and Enlistment Day, and that each church be challenged to furnish at least one student for the Gospel ministry or missionary service.

6. That President Wolfinger be requested to have the challenge presented to the students of Catawba College and to take enlistments.

7. That the Group Leaders be requested to make March 7th Field Day and to arrange for an exchange of pastors and laymen as speakers in the several churches on that date.

8. That the Classical Leaders and the several Group Leaders be authorized to visit consistories at the call of pastors, or when in their judgment the church is not functioning, and that the leaders arrange for the presentation of the Forward Movement to these congregations.

9. That Classis request pastors and consistories to take such action as will place the Forward Movement Handbook in the largest number of homes.

10. That the Classis urge all our preachers to attend the Interchurch World Movement Conference in Charlotte, March 8, 9, 10.

11. That the Classical Group Leaders, together with L. F. Kluttz, of Newton, constitute the Classical Committee of the Forward Movement in the Classis of North Carolina.

W. C. LYERLY,
J. C. PEELER,
J. H. KELLER,
W. W. ROWE,
F. R. LEFEVER.

Secretary W. F. DeLong assisted in the discussion of this report.

The report was adopted.

Revs. G. E. Plott and D. E. Bowers requested that on account of geographical convenience their churches be placed in the Davidson Group instead of the Guilford Group. The request was granted.

Rev. F. R. Lefever asked to be relieved as Group Leader of the Guilford Group. His request was granted. Elder J. T. Plott was appointed as his successor.

On account of the large number of churches in the Davidson Group Rev. G. E. Plott was appointed additional Group Leader of this Group.

Dr. A. D. Wolfinger was called upon at this time and made a stirring appeal in the interest of Catawba College. Classis ordered that in connection with Life Service and Enlistment Day, March 29th, an appeal be made in behalf of Catawba College, and that offerings on this day be for Catawba College.

The Minutes were read and approved, and Classis adjourned with the Benediction by Rev. A. D. Wolfinger.

A. S. PEELER, President,
J. C. PEELER, Stated Clerk pro tem.

SPECIAL MEETING OF CLASSIS, APRIL 9, 1920.

The Classis of North Carolina met in obedience to the following call:

Lexington, N. C., March 25, 1920.

Dear Brother:—There will be a special meeting of the Classis of North Carolina in the First Reformed Church, Greensboro, April 9, 1920, at 2.30 p. m., to consider a request from members of the Joint Consistory of the Guilford Charge concerning the welfare of that charge, and also in connection with the same to hear the report of the committee on salary adjustment in said charge, and to take such action as may be advisable. Please notify your elder.

By order of the President.
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. W. C. Lyerly. The following members were present: Revs. J. C. Leonard, J. D. Andrew, J. H. Keller, D. E. Bowers, W. W. Rowe, L. A. Peeler, A. S. Peeler, C. C. Wagoner, D. C. Cox, J. A. Palmer, J. C. Peeler, W. C. Lyerly, G. E. Plott, A. Klinger, R. E. Leinbach, F. R. Lefever, S. J. Kirk; Elders C. C. Burkhart, J. W. Younts, R. B. Andrew, P. A. Livengood, E. Whitener, R. P. Murphy, J. T. Plott. The following elders were invited to seats as advisory members: John Jones, W. A. Welker, J. F. Troxler. W. S. Friddle, D. E. Jones, McBride May, J. T. Hedrick.

The request of members of the Joint Consistory of the Guilford Charge was read. The Committee on Salary Adjustment in the said charge presented the following report, which after prolonged discussion was adopted by unanimous vote:
To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee appointed at the annual meeting in Hickory in 1919 to adjust the matter of salary with the pastor in the Mt. Hope Congregation of the Guilford Charge beg leave to report that two of the committee met the congregation on the 8th of June and urged a financial policy adequate for all financial obligations. While there, your committee learned that there was some misunderstanding about the matter, as the pastor owed the congregation an amount about equal to the amount due the pastor.

Again on the 10th of August the chairman of your committee visited the congregation and preached four days, and urged harmony in the congregation. But the only promise that he could get from the alienated part of the congregation for the payment of the back salary was that the pastor pay the note due the congregation and resign the charge.

On the third day of November two of your committee, together with two members of the Executive Committee of the Classis, met with Rev. A. Klinger in Greensboro and carefully went over the conditions at Mt. Hope; whereupon the Rev. Mr. Klinger promised to resign upon the condition that the back salary be paid in full. From members of the consistory your committee has heard that the salary to the end of the year 1919 was paid in full early in January, 1920. But as yet the Rev. Mr. Klinger has not resigned, and we, your committee, report that we are unable to adjust the matter. Recognizing the efforts of the Rev. Mr. Klinger to comply with his promise made to the committee, but inasmuch as this effort did not achieve the desired results, the committee now recommend the following:

Resolved, That the Classis holds Rev. A. Klinger in honor bound to execute the agreement entered into by him with the committee and the Executive Committee of Classis to resign and quietly withdraw from the pastorate of the Guilford Charge in order to

bring about peace in the said charge, and that the Joint Consistory be requested to accept the resignation, and further that the necessary preliminaries be carried out before the annual meeting of Classis on the 4th of May.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. ANDREW,
J. T. PLOTT,
JOHN F. TROXLER.

By common consent Mr. J. T. Hedrick, of Lexington, Financial Director of the Forward Movement in the Classis of North Carolina, was requested to present this cause to the body in this meeting. Mr. Hedrick delivered an earnest address and outlined plans for the financial drive to raise the state's quota. Other members of Classis also spoke in the interest of the Forward Movement.

It was ordered that half the expenses of this meeting be paid by Classis and half by the Joint Consistory of the Guilford Charge. The members of Classis were instructed to report their bills of expenses to the Stated Clerk.

The Minutes were read and approved and the Classis adjourned.

A. S. PEELER, President,
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

NINETIETH ANNUAL SESSIONS

ACTS AND PROCEEDINGS

of the

CLASSIS OF NORTH CAROLINA

of the

REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES.

ARTICLE I.

OPENING OF CLASSIS.

The Classis of North Carolina, Synod of the Potomac, Reformed Church in the United States, met in ninetieth annual sessions in the First Reformed Church, High Point, North Carolina, Tuesday evening, May 4, A. D. 1920, at 8 o'clock. The sermon was preached by Rev. J. H. Keller from Revelation 21: 5, "Behold, I make all things new." He was assisted in the services by Revs. G. E. Plott and O. H. Sensenig. After the sermon the Holy Communion was observed, the services being in charge of Revs. W. W. Rowe and S. J. Kirk. The President ordered the calling of the roll. There was a quorum present.

ARTICLE II.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

Ministers—J. C. Leonard, J. M. L. Lyerly, J. D. Andrew, J. H. Shuford, W. H. McNairy, J. H Keller, D E. Bowers, W. W. Rowe, S. Peeler, L. A. Peeler, A. S. Peeler, C. C. Wagoner, J. A. Palmer, J. C. Peeler, W. C. Lyerly, H. A. Welker, G. E. Plott, H. A. Fesperman, W. B Werner, R E. Leinbach, F. R. Lefever, S. J. Kirk, A. R. Tosh, S. A. Troxell, O. H. Sensenig

Elders—D. F. McGill, R. F. Cline, J. T. Hedrick, R. A. Burkhart, J. O. Briggs, J. Wesley Hedrick, J. O. Moose, A. A. Blackwelder, A. A. Long, E. D. Fox, J. D. A. Fisher, W. C. Rose

The following appeared at later sessions: Wednesday morning—Revs. D. C. Cox, J. A. Koons, A. Klinger; Elders J. E. Corriher, D. F. Campbell, J. B. Leonard, L. C. Lentz, W. L. Leonard, J. F. Troxler, H. W. Coble, A. Lyerly, Z. M. Veach, J. W. Clapp, K. L. Long, G. Y. Stone. Wednesday afternoon—Rev. P. Barringer; Elders C. H. Geitner, A. L. Shuford.

Advisory members: Rev. C. E. Schaeffer, D. D., Superintendent of Missions; Rev. W. E. Hoy, D. D., missionary to China. Elders: Dr. H. M. Montgomery, E. Whitener, John W. Hedrick, J. T. Plott,

J. P. Long, J A. Safrit, G. A. Long, P. A. Livengood, A. T. Delap, J. Thomas Leonard, R B. Andrew, J. M. Hedrick, W. A. Welker, John Hedrick. Rev. P. D. Brown of the Lutheran Church, was recognized as a visiting brother.

The following ministers were absent without reporting: M. L. Hedrick, H. E. Sechler, E. G. Williams, F. L. Fesperman, S. W. Whitener.

The following charges were unrepresented by elders: Bear Creek, Brookford, Lincolnton, Winston-Salem, Mt. Bethel.

ROLL OF ELDERS.

Charge	Primarius	Secundus
Corinth, Hickory	C. H. Geitner	C. M. Shuford
Guilford	J. W. Clapp	McBride May
Mt. Zion-Landis	J. E. Corriher	Albert Albright
Bear Creek	George Watts	Irvin Kluttz
South Fork	D. F. McGill	Summey Wilfong
Lincoln	D. F. Campbell	Frank Bumgarner
Grace, Newton	J. B. Leonard	J. L. Herman
Gilead	J. W. Cook	R. F. Cline
First, Lexington	J. T. Hedrick	T. C. Hinkle
Second, Lexington	R. A. Burkhart	T. A. Swing
First, Salisbury	L. C. Lentz	F. M. Holshouser
Lower Davidson	J. O. Briggs	S. C. Burkhart
Upper Davidson	W. Lacy Leonard	J. Thos. Leonard
First, High Point	J. Wesley Hedrick	Edgar Whitener
Bethel, High Point	G. Y. Stone	W. L. B. Sink
Heidelberg, Thomasville	J. H. Sechrist	K. L. Long
Emanuel	Z. M. Veach	W. T. Murphy
Trinity, Concord	J. O. Moose	J. W. Cline
First, Greensboro	J. F. Troxler	J. H. Low
Burlington	H. W. Coble	Dr. H. M. Montgomery
Zion, Lenoir	A. A. Blackwelder	J. P. Rabb
Brookford	George Sigmon	Y. T. Warren
Waughtown	A. A. Long	M. C. Bodenhamer
Rockwell	Adam Lyerly	Lawson Kluttz
Emanuel, Lincolnton	E. C. Shuford	S. R. Warlick
Winston-Salem	Emory Williard	E. A. Sink
First, Charlotte	E. D. Fox	C. H. A. Rupp
Faith	J. D. A. Fisher	C. J. Shive
Catawba	A. L. Shuford	J. A. Propst
Mt. Bethel		
Kannapolis	W. C. Rose	H. J. Peeler

ARTICLE III.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The following officers were elected: Rev. C. C. Wagoner, Salisbury, N. C., President; Elder J. T. Hedrick, Lexington, N. C., Vice President; Rev. S. J. Kirk, Burlington, N. C., Corresponding Secretary; Rev. J. A. Palmer, Thomasville, N. C., Reading Clerk; Rev. D. E. Bowers, Winston-Salem, N. C., Treasurer. Rev. J. C. Leonard, D. D., Lexington, N. C., continues Stated Clerk.

ARTICLE IV.

PERMANENT COMMITTEES.

1. Executive Committee—Revs. C. C. Wagoner, J. C. Leonard, Elder J. T. Hedrick.

2. Sunday Schools—Revs. H. A. Fesperman, W. C. Lyerly, Elder K. L. Long.

3. Missionary and Stewardship—Rev. R. E. Leinbach, 3 years; Elder J. O. Moose, 2 years; Rev. L. A. Peeler, 1 year.

4. Mrs. Rebecca Solliday Church-building Fund—Rev. J. M. L. Lyerly, 3 years; Rev. H. A. Fesperman, 2 years; Elder J. B. Leonard, 1 year.

5. George G. Solliday Beneficiary Education Fund—Revs. W. W. Rowe, A. D. Wolfinger, Elder J. B. Leonard.

6. Trustees of Classis—Rev. W. W. Rowe, Messrs. J. A. Propst, T. L. Hunsucker.

ARTICLE V.

RULES OF ORDER.

The Rules of Order adopted by the General Synod were observed in the sessions of Classis. The President defined the Bar of the House to be the first eight rows of pews in front of the chancel. The following hours were fixed for opening and closing: Meet at 9.00 o'clock a. m. and adjourn at 5 p. m., with a recess from 12.30 p. m. to 2 p.m.

ARTICLE VI.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The President appointed the following Standing Committees:

1. Religious Services—R. E. Leinbach, S. A. Troxell, J. W. Hedrick.

2. Minutes of Classis—J. C. Leonard, H. A. Fesperman, D. F. McGill.

3. Minutes of Synod—H. A. Welker, S. Peeler, R. F. Cline.

4. Overtures—J. D. Andrew, J. M. L. Lyerly, R. A. Burkhart.

5. Missions—W. W. Rowe, W. C. Lyerly, J. O. Briggs.

6. Benevolent Institutions—G. E. Plott, J. H. Keller, J. O. Moose.

7. Education—L. A. Peeler, J. A. Koons, A. A. Blackwelder.

8. State of the Church—A. S. Peeler, A. R. Tosh, A. A. Long.

9. Nominations—J. A. Palmer, F. R. Lefever, E. D. Fox.

10. Finance—D. E. Bowers, A. R. Tosh, J. T. Hedrick.

11. Examination and Licensure—W. H. McNairy, J. H. Shuford, J. D. A. Fisher.

12. Young People's Societies—S. J. Kirk, O. H. Sensenig, W. C. Rose.

13. Press—F. R. Lefever, D. C. Cox, W. Lacy Leonard.

14. Leave of Absence—H. A. Welker, J. C. Peeler, J. E. Corriher.

15. Necrology—S. A. Troxell, J. A Koons, Adam Lyerly

ARTICLE VII.

COMMUNICATIONS.

1. Copies of the Minutes of Classis and of the Synod of the Potomac were referred to the committees on these subjects.

2. The Treasurer's report was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

3. The report of the Trustees of Catawba College was read and referred to the Committee on Education.

4. Reports from the Boards of Missions were referred to the Committee on Missions.

5. Reports of the Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home, the Relief Societies and the Sunday School Board were read and referred to the proper committees.

6. Other communications were received and referred to the Committee on Overtures.

ARTICLE VIII.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

The sessions of each day were opened and closed with devotional services. The Standing Committee on this subject presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Religious Services beg leave to make the following report:

Tuesday, 8 p. m., Devotional Services conducted by Revs. G. E. Plott and O. H. Sensenig; Address of Welcome, Dr. D. A. Stanton,

Mayor of the city; response, Dr. J. C. Leonard. Wednesday, 9 a. m., Devotional Services, Rev. J. C. Peeler; 7.30 p. m., Devotional Services, Revs. L. A. Peeler and F. R. Lefever; address on Education, Rev. A. D. Wolfinger, D. D., President of Catawba College; address on Home Missions, Rev. C. E. Schaeffer, D. D., Superintendent of Missions. Thursday, 9 a. m., Devotional Services, Rev. A. R. Tosh; 7.30 p. m., Devotional Services, Revs. H. A. Fesperman and W. C. Lyerly; address on Foreign Missions, Rev. Wm. E. Hoy, D. D., Hunan, China.

Respectfully submitted,

R. E. LEINBACH,
S. A. TROXELL,
J. WESLEY HEDRICK.

ARTICLE IX.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

The roll was called and all the ministers of Classis presented reports except M. L. Hedrick, H. E. Sechler, E. G. Williams, F. L. Fesperman, S. W. Whitener.

The constitutional questions were asked and the elders gave satisfactory answers. The reports were referred to the Committee on the State of the Church.

ARTICLE X.

MINUTES OF CLASSIS.

The committee presented the following report, which was considered by items, and finally adopted as a whole.

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on the Minutes of Classis beg leave to present the following report:

1. Page 20. a. Executive Committee. b. Sunday Schools. c. Missionary and Stewardship. d. Mrs. Rebecca Solliday Church-building Fund. e. George G. Solliday Beneficiary Education Fund. f. Trustees of Classis.

2. Page 34. Rev. J. A. Palmer was made Superintendent of Young People's Societies.

3. Page 34. Rev. H. A. Welker was appointed Superintendent of Teacher Training.

4. Page 35. Hopewell interest was committed to Rev. G. E. Plott.

5. Page 35. The Second Church of Lexington was placed in the care of Rev. J. C. Leonard.

6. Page 35. The Brookford Church was committed to Rev. W. W. Rowe.

7. Page 38. The Gilead Charge was entrusted to the care of Rev. W. C. Lyerly.

8. Page 40. Rev. C. C. Wagoner was appointed mediary between students and vacant charges for supply work.

9. Page 52. Rev. W. H. McNairy was elected Business Manager of the "Reformed Church Standard."

10. Page 67. The consistories of charges in arrears on apportionments were instructed to take action relative to payment of the several items and report their action to this meeting of Classis.

11. Page 81. Rev. H. A. Welker and Elders J. W. Bowers and J. O. Moose were appointed a committee on salary adjustment in the West Rowan Charge.

12. Special. Revs. W. C. Lyerly, J. H. Keller and Elder J. O. Moose were appointed to install Rev. L. A. Peeler pastor of the Kannapolis Charge.

13. Special. Revs. A. Shulenberger, Shuford Peeler and A. R. Tosh were appointed to install Rev. J. H. Keller pastor of the West Rowan Charge.

14. Special. Rev. W. C. Lyerly was appointed Classical Chairman of the Forward Movement.

15. Special. Rev. A. Klinger was held in honor bound to resign the pastorate of the Guilford Charge, and the Joint Consistory of the said charge are instructed to accept his resignation. And further Rev. A. Klinger and the said Joint Consistory were instructed to carry out the necessary preliminaries before this annual meeting of Classis.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. LEONARD,
H. A. FESPERMAN,
D. F. McGILL.

1. The following reports were received and adopted:

(a) To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

The Executive Committee beg leave to report that such meetings were held during the year as were asked for. The minutes of these meetings are presented herewith. The Treasurer of Classis paid the expenses.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

The President, Stated Clerk and Elder J. T. Hedrick were constituted the Executive Committee.

(b) To the Classis:

Your Committee on Sunday Schools submit the following report and recommendations:

Reports have been received from all schools except Bethel, High Point. While these reports are incomplete, they are much better

than in former years. The reports indicate that the schools are better graded and better organized. The enrollment by departments in the schools and the total enrollment show increase. The neglected departments are Cradle Roll and Home Department. Here are two departments that could show great increase. The average attendance is better by percentage than last year, a gain of 582 over last year. The number of organized classes is less. A few of our schools that are not union schools do not use Reformed literature. Only two classes are reported in Teacher Training.

The contributions are larger than last year. Our mission work at Bethel, High Point, caused us to do something for Home Missions. Other benevolence was increased $1310. The object that received least attention and least money was the Publication and Sunday School Board of our Church. The number of schools giving an offering is 14, and the amount is only $148.

We recommend:

1. That our Reformed literature be used in all our schools.

2. That all literature, materials, music, etc., be bought through our Board.

3. That the Classical Superintendent of Teacher Training promote Teacher Training in a larger number of our schools.

4. That all schools at Children's Day or some other time give an offering of at least 10 cents per member to the Publication and S. S. Board.

5. That the new Hymnal of the Reformed Church be recommended to all our churches.

6. That the "Reformed Church Messenger" and the "Christian World" be placed in more homes. The pastor is the key man to push this work.

7. That the Classical Committee promote all the departments of the S. S. work to secure larger enrollment, better attendance and a more faithful teaching of the Bible.

8. That this Classis have a season of prayer in behalf of the religious instruction and nurture of the children in our homes and our land.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. LYERLY,
H. A. FESPERMAN,
K. L. LONG.

The following were appointed members of the Committee on Sunday Schools: Revs. H. A. Fersperman, W. C. Lyerly, Elder K. L. Long.

(c) To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

The Missionary and Stewardship Committee offer the following report:

We have kept the Missionary and Stewardship interests before the Church through the columns of the "Standard" and by personal correspondence. We have printed quarterly reports of all monies received and the amounts of the apportionments of each charge, with a view of arousing the interests of the people to raise the full apportionment.

The following churches have paid the apportionment in full: First, Lexington; Lincolnton; Mt. Zion; St. Paul's, Kannapolis; First, Waughtown; Hickory; Charlotte; Newton; Lenoir; Salisbury; Thomasville; Concord; Schlatter Memorial; South Fork Charge, St. Paul's, Bethel, Grace, Daniel's; First, High Point; Greensboro; Burlington; St. James'; Bear Creek; Boger; St. Luke's; Ursiuus; Catawba Charge, Trinity, Bethany, Smyrna; Second, Lexington; New Gilead; Keller; Salem; Memorial, Maiden; Landis; Shiloh; Mt. Hope of the Faith Charge. This is a total of thirty-six congregations, compared with seventeen last year. Classis raised $11,559.46 on apportionment this year, over against $9339.68 last year. We have paid 78 per cent. of the full apportionment this year over against 60 per cent. last year. This shows progress, and we wish to commend all congregations that have paid the full apportionment. Nothing short of the full apportionment will supply the current benevolent needs of the Church in this day in which we live; and we believe every congregation is amply able to do it. An every-member canvass was made in forty-six congregations during the year. Twenty-eight congregations used the duplex envelope system and 18 congregations used single envelopes, either weekly, bi-weekly or monthly. Twelve congregations did not use either form of the envelope system.

Much effort has been put forth during the past year to teach the people the recognition of the Stewardship of Possessions through the Department of Stewardship of Life and Possessions of our Forward Movement. Our pastors were urged to present the subject of Stewardship of Possessions from the pulpit and to conduct Stewardship classes in their congregations. December 7th and February 22d were designated as the times to ask the people to pledge themselves to give at least one-tenth of their income, or some other definite amount for religious purposes. Twenty-one of our active pastors have enrolled as tithers, and many have conducted classes and presented the cause from the pulpit, and on the days designated, or at some other time urged their people to recognize God's ownership by pledging themselves to give at least one-tenth of their income. As a result of this campaign, 159 tithers have been reported from this Classis at the Forward Movement headquarters.

For the further promotion of this cause and the payment of the full apportionment next year, we recommend the following:

1. That pastors be urged to continue the presentation of the subject of the Stewardship of Possessions and that at appropriate

times, during the year, they call upon their people to pledge to contribute at least one-tenth of their income for religious purposes.

2. That congregations be requested to pay the full apportionment, realizing that anything less is a failure to do our full duty.

3. That the apportionment be looked upon as a minimum amount to be paid and that every congregation exceed this amount if possible to do so.

4. That all congregations be urged to make an every-member canvass and to use the duplex envelopes and to send all benevolent monies to the Classical Treasurer monthly.

5. That the following auxiliary committees be appointed:

Eastern District, J. A. Palmer and J. T. Plott.

Central District, W. C. Lyerly and Luther Holshouser.

Western District, H. A. Fesperman and A. A. Blackwelder.

The term of Rev. R. E. Leinbach expires with this meeting.

The expenses of the committee are $1.50.

Respectfully submitted,

L. A. PEELER,
R. E. LEINBACH,
J. O. MOOSE.

(d) To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

The Rebecca Solliday Church-building Fund Committee beg leave to make the following report:

Cash on hand last report	$1083 52
Interest received	18 17
Returned by C. E. Fogelman	92 40
Returned by Rev. George Ingle	100 00
Returned by Roy D. Peeler	100 00
Returned by I. Rae Michael	150 00
	$1544 09
Loan to Charlotte Mission	1000 00
Cash on hand	544 09
	$1544 09

Standing of the Fund May 6, 1920:

Note of North Carolina Classis	$ 300 00
Note of Charlotte Mission	750 00
Note of Charlotte Mission	1000 00
Cash on hand	544 09
	$2594 09

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. ROWE,
H. A. FESPERMAN,
J. M. L. LYERLY,
J. B. LEONARD.

The following action was taken:

Resolved, That hereafter 4 per cent. interest be charged on monies received when students give up their intention to become ministers of the Gospel.

(e) To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on the Solliday Beneficiary Fund beg leave to report that during the past year the following young men have received aid as follows: $100.00 each to Students Banks J. Peeler and Felix B. Peck, of Central Seminary. Students Charlie Hiatt, Hoy L. Fesperman, Sidney Safrit and Tom Safrit, of Catawba College, will each receive credit to the amount of $100.00. Student O. Bain Michael was given permission to do one year's work in the Literary Department of the University of North Carolina and has not received aid this year. Student A. Odell Leonard is under the care of this Classis, but does not receive aid from this Fund.

Students Elmer R. Everhardt and I. Rae Michael, on account of ill health, overture the Classis of North Carolina through your committee to be released from under its care. We recommend that their request be granted.

Your committee would also report that Messrs, Roy D. Peeler and C. E. Fogelman have made settlement in full for amount due the Solliday Fund.

Respectfully submitted,
W. W. ROWE,
J. B. LEONARD,
A. D. WOLFINGER.

Students Elmer R. Everhardt and I. Rae Michael were released from the care of Classis.

The Corresponding Secretary was instructed to convey to Students Elmer R. Everhardt and I. Rae Michael an expression of our sympathy in their affliction.

The committee was re-appointed.

(f) To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Trustees to whom were referred the interests of St. Peter's church property and Mt. Bethel, Blowing Rock, beg leave to report the following:

In regard to St. Peter's property there is in our hands five and one-fourth acres of land and we have on interest $124.84. As to Mt. Bethel, Blowing Rock, nothing has been done towards the disposition of our interest there. The prospects are that Classis will realize but little in view of the fact that the property returns to the heirs of the donors.

Respectfully submitted,
W. W. ROWE,
T. L. HUNSUCKER,
J. A. PROPST.

The Trustees were re-elected.

2. To the North Carolina Classis:

As Superintendent of Young People's Work I beg leave to report that during the year I have done little, or nothing, for this work, and thus have nothing to report. This is not because of lack of interest, nor because of lack of vision, but because of lack of time and equipment, and especially a lack of invitations from pastors for definite assistance. I am really desirous of doing something for this great work, and trust that the Superintendent of this department, whoever he or she may be, may be able to accomplish splendid things in the future. Humbly submitted,

J. A. PALMER.

Mrs. Russell Yundt, of Hickory, was appointed Superintendent of Young People's Societies.

3. To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Superintendent of Teacher Training begs leave to make the following report:

According to the statistical blanks there are only two Teacher Training Classes with eighteen members enrolled. This is a poor record, in view of the fact that a Teacher Training Class is very essential in order to have more efficient teachers. We, therefore, recommend that a Teacher Training Class be organized in every Sunday School. Respectfully submitted,

H. A. WELKER.

Rev. H. A. Welker was re-appointed.

4. To North Carolina Classis:

Having been placed in charge of our interests at Hopewell, I beg leave to report that services are being held twice each month, also Sunday School is being held each Sunday. These services are purely union services, and no effort has been made to organize a congregation. Respectfully submitted,

G. E. PLOTT.

This interest was again entrusted to Rev. G. E. Plott.

5. The parochial report was read.

6. The parochial report was read. The Brookford Church was continued in the care of Rev. W. W. Rowe.

7. The parochial report was read.

8. Rev. C. C. Wagoner made a statement of the work done as mediator between vacant charges and students. He was reappointed.

9. To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

As your Business Manager of the "Reformed Church Standard" I make the following report: We published the "Standard" twice each month since the last Classis.

Financial statement:

Balance on hand last year	$ 12 83
Received from Treasurer of Classis	600 00
On subscriptions	4 50
On advertisements	97 40
Total	$714 73
Paid out for printing and mailing	$663 00
General expenses	46 65
Total	$709 65
Leaving a balance of	5 08

W. H. McNAIRY, Business Manager.

The "Standard" staff was re-elected. The sum of $750 was referred to the Finance Committee to cover the cost of the "Standard" another year. It was ordered that the Catawba College advertisement be continued without cost.

10. The request of Classis concerning arrearages was attended to in part.

11. To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee on the readjustment of salary in the West Rowan Charge beg leave to make the following report:

After conferring with Elder W. C. Rose he instructed your committee not to take any action until he would call for their assistance. They adjusted the matter among themselves.

Respectfully submitted,
H. A. WELKER,
J. W. BOWERS,
J. O. MOOSE.

12. To the Classis of North Carolina:

The committee appointed to install Rev. Lee A. Peeler pastor of Kannapolis Charge attended to their duty December 7, 1919, at 7.30 p. m. Rev. J. H. Keller preached the sermon and delivered the charge to the pastor. Elder J. O. Moose gave the charge to the congregation. The Chairman conducted the service and installed Rev. Peeler.

Respectfully submitted,
W. C. LYERLY, Chairman.

13. To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

We beg leave to report that the task committed to us with regard to installation of Rev. John H. Keller as pastor in the West Rowan Charge was fulfilled Sunday, October 5, 1919.

Respectfully submitted,
ANTHONY SCHULENBERGER,
A. R. TOSH.

14. To the Classis of North Carolina:

The Classical Committee on the Forward Movement submit the following report and recommendations:

The Classical Committee followed the work outlined by the Classical Leader. In this way Elder John T. Plott became responsible for the Greensboro Group; Revs. G. E. Plott and J. C. Peeler for the Davidson Group; Rev. J. H. Keller for the Rowan Group; Rev. W. C. Lyerly for the Cabarrus Group, and Rev. W. W. Rowe and Loomis Kluttz, Esq., for the Catawba Group.

Field days were promoted in the several groups at different times. In this way all churches were reached at least once. Churches that showed little response were visited by ministers and laymen more than once. Men were called from one group to another. In this way the field was developed.

The Classical Committee challenged Elder J. T. Hedrick to become Financial director for the state or Classis. Elder Hedrick accepted the work, writing to the Classical Leader: "I do not feel competent to accept this position, but I am interested very much in our Church and would like to see her come to the front, as well as other denominations, and I am willing to give the time necessary to raise our portion."

He has had associated with him Elder Edgar Whitener, of High Point; Elder H. H. Koonts, of Lexington; Deacon J. E Correll, of China Grove; Elder J O. Moose, of Concord, and Lawyer Loomis Kluttz, of Newton.

The Classical Leader and the State Financial Director submitted revised quotas to all congregations. These quotas were received in good faith in almost all congregations. Here and there readjustments were made. The quota sent to the Classis was $151,424.54. The quotas revised totaled $155,967.50.

The Financial Director submits financial report as follows:

This report is submitted by groups as outlined above.

Greensboro Group—

Revised Quota $18,348.75, Reported to Date $23,338.00

Davidson Group—

Revised Quota $38,109.72, Reported to Date $46,239.20

Rowan Group—

Revised Quota $26,691.76, Reported to Date $28,639.00

Cabarrus Group—

Revised Quota $20,263.30, Reported to Date $26,745.00

Catawba Group—

Revised Quota $47,905.55, Reported to Date $64,012.97

Total report for Classis to date is $188,974.22.

Fifty of the fifty-eight churches have reached the top and many exceeded the quota. Five churches have reached part of the quota. Three have as yet done nothing or made no report.

J. T. HEDRICK, State Director.

The Classical Committee has no report on the number of Intercessors, the number of Tithing Stewards, nor any of the other challenges which were an integral part of the campaign. There are many evidences that this work was done by the pastors.

We recommend:

1. That the Missionary and Stewardship Committee continue the organized work in our Classis so as to conserve the great spiritual resources awakened during this campaign. This committee is to promote Intercession, Stewardship of Life and Possessions, Missionary Education, etc.

2. That the Financial Campaign be continued with vigor till June 1, 1920. The State Director and the Group Directors and Congregational Directors shall see that all subscription cards are properly signed and the canvass completed till that date, and all cards in hands of State Director.

3. That the Classical Leader and State Director be given privilege to submit final report to Stated Clerk of Classis after June 1, 1920.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. LYERLY,

Classical Leader and Chairman of Classical Committee.

The financial report for the Forward Movement in the North Carolina Classis up till June 1, 1920, is as follows:

Name of Church, Charge	Quota assigned	Quota subscribed
1st Burlington	$ 3419 20	$ 3782 00
1st Greensboro	5544 43	7537 50
1st, High Point	6580 36	8100 00
Mt. Hope (Guilford Charge)	1750 00	2630 00
Brick (Guilford Charge)	1016 40	663 00
St. Mark's (Guilford Charge)	935 80	938 00
Fairview (Guilford Charge)	102 56	No report
Bethel (High Point)		No quota
1st, Lexington	14521 65	16056 00
2d, Lexington	1100 00	1725 00
Pilgrim (Upper Davidson)	3319 75	3715 00
Beulah (Upper Davidson)	1060 95	1875 00
Bethany (Upper Davidson)	730 10	770 00
Heidelberg (Thomasville)	4280 05	5878 00
Emanuel (Emanuel Charge)	1944 00	1970 00
Calvary (Emanuel Charge)	1239 84	725 00
Zion (Emanuel Charge)	1258 74	1272 50
Hedrick's Grove (L. Davidson)	557 74	740 00
Jerusalem (L. Davidson)	465 20	475 00
Mt. Tabor (L. Davidson)	994 40	1622 00
Beck's (L. Davidson)	1594 71	2900 00

Hebron (Waughtown Charge)	1251 20	1719 00
Bethlehem (Waughtown Charge)	325 13	434 50
1st, Waughtown (Waughtown Charge)	1920 30	2755 50
Schlatter Memorial (Winston-Salem)	1515 96	2014 20
1st, Salisbury	2757 50	3025 00
Shiloh (Faith Charge)	2650 45	2880 00
Grace or Lowerstone (Faith Charge)	3963 10	4122 00
Mt. Hope (Faith Charge)	1545 30	550 00
Ursinus (Rockwell Charge)	3749 75	6389 00
Bethany, Crescent (Rockwell Charge)	790 40	1189 00
St. Luke's (Rockwell Charge)	1245 26	1376 00
Mt. Zion (Mt. Zion-Landis Charge)	7000 00	7000 00
1st, Landis (Mt. Zion-Landis Charge)	3000 00	3000 00
Trinity (Concord)	4248 10	6500 00
St. John's (Kannapolis)	1100 00	1295 00
St. Paul's (Kannapolis) (Enochville)	1118 64	1200 00
St. James' (Mt. Pleasant, Bear Creek)	3655 76	6800 00
Bethel or Bear Creek (Bear Creek)	4103 00	4815 00
Boger (Bear Creek)	912 78	990 00
1st Charlotte	3028 38	3505 00
New Gilead (Gilead Charge)	1505 00	1800 00
Keller (Gilead Charge)	592 24	628 00
Faith (Brookford)	400 00	487 50
Corinth, Hickory	17278 00	26000 00
Trinity, Conover (Catawba Charge)	3531 84	3531 84
Smyrna (Catawba Charge)	738 45	738 45
Bethany (Catawba Charge)	507 32	No report
Zion (Lenoir)	2917 74	4360 00
Emanuel (Lincolnton	1241 86	2047 50
Memorial, Maiden (Lincoln Charge)	2722 84	3086 00
St. Matthew's (Lincoln Charge)	1092 50	1323 00
Salem (Lincoln Charge)	760 28	960 28
Grace (Newton)	11588 00	14226 00
St. Paul's (South Fork Charge)	1281 68	2479 40
Daniel's (South Fork Charge)	1281 68	1855 00
Grace (South Fork Charge)	1281 68	1287 50
Bethel (South Fork Charge)	1281 68	1341 68
	$151,329 68	$191,085 35
Reductions: Hedrick's Grove	$ 400 00	
Beulah	1000 00	
Landis	715 52	
Mt. Zion	1532 30	
	$154,977 50	
Oversubscribed		$36,107 85

The following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, The Forward Movement of the Reformed Church in the United States, in connection with the Interchurch World Movement, has been before our people for about fourteen months, and

Whereas, Our Classical Group Leader and our State Financial Director have brought to us the cheering information that the Classis of North Carolina has gone triumphantly far beyond the quota assigned to our congregations,

Resolved, That we humbly and reverently lift up our hearts to our Heavenly Father for His manifest grace in bestowing His Holy Spirit upon our people, through whose inspiration ministers and laymen have been lifted to a high plain of devotion to the kingdom of our Christ, through intercession, through evangelism and through an exalted vision of Christian Stewardship of Life and Possessions.

Resolved, That we are thankful for the distinction which the state of North Carolina has attained in being the first state in the nation to subscribe its full quota in the Forward Movement drive for money in the campaign conducted April 25 to May 2, 1920.

Resolved, That we hereby place on record an expression of our thanks to our Classical Group Leader, Rev. W. C. Lyerly, and to our State Financial Director, Elder J. T. Hedrick, as well as to our several Group Leaders and Group Financial Directors, to the many congregational committees under the supervision of local church directors, and to the hundreds of individual givers who have made this great financial drive a remarkable success, and that we appreciate more than ever that our people are truly a loyal and devoted band of Christians, earnest in their devotion to Christ's kingdom.

Resolved, That we do now offer a prayer of thanksgiving to Him who has given to us this great hour of joy, the prayer to be led by Dr. William E. Hoy.

Dr. Hoy led the Classis in a fervent prayer of thanksgiving.

15. Action was deferred until the report on Overtures is considered.

ARTICLE XI.

OVERTURES.

The following report was received, considered by items and finally adopted as a whole:

Your Committee on Overtures beg to report as follows:

1. Request from the Consistory of the Second Reformed Church of Lexington that that church be continued under the care of Dr. J. C. Leonard. We recommend that the request be granted.

2. A request from the Catawba Charge asking that the sum of three hundred dollars be given that charge to supplement the pas-

tor's salary for the year 1920-1921. We recommend that this request be referred to the Committe on Missions.

3. A request from Rev. J. Wade Huffman and the Consistory of Bethel Church, High Point, asking that the pastoral relation be dissolved. We recommend that the request be granted.

4. A request from Rev. J. Wade Huffman that he be dismissed to Lancaster Classis, Ohio Synod. We recommend that the request be granted.

5. A request from the Joint Consistory of the Gilead Charge asking that Rev. W. C. Lyerly be continued as stated supply in harmony with previous arrangements with Trinity Church, Concord. The charge agrees to pay for his support $750 in monthly payments, agreeable to Rev. Mr. Lyerly. We recommend that the request be granted.

6. A request from the Joint Consistory of the Gilead Charge asking that that charge be excused from the payment of all arrearages on contingent expenses due this Classis from 1913 to 1918. We recommend that this request be granted and also be applied to all other congregations in similar condition.

7. A resolution from the Consistory of Bethel Church, High Point, asking that the church and parsonage property be sold to the Methodist Protestant Church, provided suitable arrangements can be made. We recommend that the Classis appoint a committee to whom this whole matter may be referred.

This matter was referred to a special committee consisting of Revs. D. E. Bowers, J. A. Palmer and Elder C. H. Geitner. At a later session the following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee appointed to consider the request from Bethel Church, High Point, beg leave to present the following for your consideration:

Whereas, The Consistory and congregation of Bethel Reformed Church, High Point, have by formal action taken by the said parties overtured the Classis of North Carolina to dissolve the said Bethel Congregation, and,

Whereas, They have also in the said petition requested Classis to dispose of the property in a way that limits the privileges of this body, therefore

Resloved, That the Consistory and congregation of Bethel Reformed Church be officially notified that Classis is willing to dissolve the congregation, dismiss the members to such other churches as they may desire to enter and then dispose of the property, this course alone being in harmony with Article 14 of the Constitution.

Resolved, That Rev. D. E. Bowers, Rev. J. C. Peeler and Elder J. T. Hedrick be hereby appointed commissioners of Classis with power

to execute this action, provided the said Consistory and congregation so request by action in meetings called for such purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

D. E. BOWERS,
J. A. PALMER,
CHARLES H. GEITNER.

8. The Joint Consistory of the West Rowan Charge request that the name be changed from the West Rowan Charge to the Zion-Landis Charge. We recommend that the request be granted.

9. A request from Rev. A. Shulenberger asking to be excused from this meeting of Classis. We recommend that this request be granted.

10. A request from Rev. A. Klinger asking that the pastoral relation between himself and the Guilford Charge be dissolved and that he be granted permission to engage in secular labor. We recommend that this matter be referred to a special committee.

The following committee was appointed: Revs. W. C. Lyerly, W. W. Rowe, Elder J. O. Moose. At a later session the following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

The committee appointed to make recommendations on Item 15 of the report on Minutes of Classis and Item 10 of the report on Overtures, the resignation of Rev. A. Klinger as pastor of the Guilford Charge, recommend:

1. That this Classis dissolve the pastoral relation between Rev. A. Klinger and the Guilford Charge and declare the charge vacant.

2. That this Classis respectfully ask the Joint Consistory to concur in this action before June 1, 1920.

3. That this Classis hold Rev. A. Klinger in honor bound to quietly withdraw from the pastorate of the Guilford Charge according to his agreement with the committee appointed by the Classis at Hickory in May, 1919.

4. That Rev. A. Klinger be permitted to engage in secular work.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. LYERLY,
W. W. ROWE,
J. O. MOOSE.

The following were appointed a Committee of Supply for the Guilford Charge: Revs. D. E. Bowers, S. J. Kirk, J. A. Palmer.

11. The official notice from the Salisbury Church that the name has been changed from Faith Reformed Church to First Reformed Church in harmony with the permission of Classis. We recommend the adoption of the item.

12. A request from the Joint Consistory of the Lower Davidson Charge asking that they be excused from payment of all arrearages previous to 1918. We recommend that this request be granted as in the other cases.

13. A request from Rev. John Ingle to be excused from attendance at this meeting of Classis. We recommend that this request be granted.

14. A request from the Committee on Solliday Fund that Student T. R. Safrit be received under the care of Classis as a student for the ministry. We recommend that this request be granted.

15. Reports from Theological Students A. O. Leonard and Banks J. Peeler. We recommend adoption of the item.

16. Report of Student O. B. Michael. We recommend adoption of the item.

17. A request from the Consistory and congregation of Corinth Reformed Church of Hickory asking the Classis to unite with them in inviting the General Synod to hold its 21st triennnial sessions in their church in 1923. We recommend that the request be granted, and the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That the Classis of North Carolina most heartily unites with the Consistory and congregation of Corinth Reformed Church of Hickory, North Carolina, in inviting the General Synod to hold its triennial sessions in the year 1923 in the said city and church in the South.

18. A request from Kannapolis Reformed Church asking the privilege to change the name of their church from Kannapolis Reformed Church to St. John's Reformed Church. We recommend that the request be granted, and that the time of the change be determined by the congregation.

19. A request from the Chairman of the Missionary Conference asking Classis to request all ministers of Classis to attend the Missionary Conference at Catawba College, July 20-25, and that all churches be closed on the Conference Sunday, July 25. We recommend that the request be granted.

20. A request from Rev. J. W. Bell asking to be excused from this meeting of Classis and that he be given permission to engage in secular labor. We recommend that this request be granted.

21. A request from Rev. A. F. Nace asking to be excused from this meeting of Classis. We recommend that the request be granted.

22. A reeport from the Joint Consistory of the Emanuel Charge stating that a meeting was held on the 24th of August, 1919, when it was decided to pay the arrearages on contingent funds of said charge. We recommend that the item be adopted.

23. A request from Rev. P. M. Trexler, D. D., to be excused from attending this meeting of Classis. We recommend that the request be granted.

24. Report of Student Felix B. Peck. We recommend the adoption of the item.

25. An invitation from Trinity Reformed Church, Conover, to hold its annual session in 1921 in that church; also a similar oral invitation from the First Church of Lexington. We recommend that these items be considered when Classis determines the time and place of the next annual meeting.

26. Rports of Students Sidney Safrit, Charles Hiatt, Hoy Fesperman. We recommend the adoption of the item.

Respectfully submitted,
J. D. ANDREW,
J. M. L. LYERLY,
R. A BURKHART.

ARTICLE. XII.
DELEGATES TO SYNOD.

All ministers and the elder from each pastoral charge constitute the delegates to the Synod of the Potomac, which meets in general convention.

ARTICLE XIII.
MINUTES OF POTOMAC SYNOD.

The following is the report of the Committee on the Minutes of Potomac Synod, which was adoptd:

Your Committee on the Minutes of Potomac Synod beg leave to submit the following report:

1. The following members of North Carolina Classis were present at the meeting of Synod at Hanover, Pa.: Revs. David E. Bowers, Walter W. Rowe, Shuford Peeler, Lee A. Peeler, A Samuel Peeler, John A. Koons, John C. Peeler, William C. Lyerly, Harvey A. Welker, G. Ermine Plott, A. D. Wolfinger, D. D., J. Wade Huffman, Aaron R. Tosh, Samuel A. Troxell, O. H. Sensenig, Elder Edgar Whitener.

2. Realignment of the boundaries of Synod.

3. Reports from the several educational institutions note the fact that they are happy because of the larger enrollment. The war being ended, the young men have returned to take their places, others making the supreme sacrifice. It is of the greatest importance that the ministers and lay members of Classis present the great needs of ministers, missionaries and other Christian workers. Besides we should

ever keep before our young people that Christian education is one of the greatest assets in life; commends the several educational institutions; Synod requests the Classis to forward the funds for Beneficiary Education promptly after the following schedule: One-fourth the annual sum on or before October 1; three-eighths on or before January 1; three-eighths on or before March 1. Synod calls the attention of the Church to the work of Beneficiary Education and urges its support by liberal offerings.

4. We are very glad to learn from the reports of the Home and Foreign Mission Boards that the record for the past year was greater than any previous one. The people are urged to make larger gifts, more prayer, to give more lives for the extension of the kingdom through these Boards. That the Home and Foreign Mission Days be observed and special offerings taken.

5. It is the earnest request of the Synod that the apportionment in full should be the minimum of giving, and that the principles of Christian stewardship should be more thoroughly inculcated into the minds of the people.

6. We note that the Publication and Sunday School Board had a most difficult year, "due to the influenza, war conditions and war reactions." In view of these facts it made a splendid record. Synod urges Classis through its pastors, consistories, Sunday Schools and members of our churches to give their loyal support to the Board.

Synod challenges the Sunday Schools to make every possible effort to increase their membership and to increase efficiency in their teaching force by having a Teacher Training Class in every Sunday School. At least one offering is to be given to this Board, preferably on Children's Day. We recommend the circulation of the weekly church papers.

7. The various benevolent institutions are most heartily commended to Classis and its members for faithful support.

8. Revs. W. W. Rowe, Shuford Peeler, Elders J. O. Moose, J. T. Plott, George Moose, John L. Flemming for three years, W. G. Hinkle for two years, were nominated for Trustees of Catawba College.

9. Synod recommends that Classis accept and pay annually the following amounts per communicant member on the request of General Synod:

Home Missions	80c.
Foreign Missions	80c.
Ministerial Relief	10c.

The following items were referred to North Crolina Classis:

Potomac Synod Contingent	$162 00
Beneficiary Education	882 00
Theological Seminary	406 00
Ministerial Sustentation	98 00

10. Synod calls attention to the fact of the tremendous importance of training the young people for the more efficient work in the kingdom, and urges that Classis show to the young people the great opportunity for service in assisting the pastors in putting across the Forward Movement.

Synod requests that the third Sunday of October be observed as Young People's Day and an offering be taken for the support of the Young People's Work.

11. Synod hails with great joy the Forward Movement inaugurated by General Synod last March, as a movement of spirit and power.

Synod recommends Classes to relate their pastoral charges in a vital way with utmost promptness.

12. The 48th annual meeting of Potomac Synod will be held in Centenary Reformed Church, Winchester, Va., on Monday, October 25, 1920, at 8 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. WELKER,
SHUFORD PEELER,
R. F. CLINE.

ARTICLE XIV.

MISSIONS.

The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Missions beg leave to make the following report:

The following papers have come into our hands:

1. The annual statement of the Board of Home Missions.

2. The annual statement of the Foreign Mission Board.

3. Request from the Catawba Charge for sustentation to the amount of $300.00.

On the basis of facts contained in these reports and also statements made on the floor of Classis by Drs. C. E. Schaeffer and W. E. Hoy we offer the following recommendations: ....

1. This Classis rejoices over the bright outlook of our home mission work in this country and is very appreciative of the large amount of funds that will come to our work in this state from the Forward Movement Campaign.

We also recommend that every effort be made to pay the apportionment in full, which is more urgent in the future than ever. Also that special offerings be made for Home missions on Home Mission Day.

2. Resolved, That this Classis gives its hearty support to the cause of our Foreign Mission work—both morally and financially. Also

that we express our gratitude to our Heavenly Father in that the life of our veteran missionary, Dr. Hoy, has been spared.

We further recommend that the full apportionment of Foreign Missions be paid and on Foreign Mission Day, February 13, 1921, special offerings be made for this cause.

3. We recommend that the request of the Catawba Charge for $300.00 sustentation be granted on condition that the charge raise $900.00, to be paid out of funds in hands of Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. ROWE,
W. C. LYERLY,
J. O. BRIGGS.

ARTICLE XV.

NOMINATIONS.

The following is the report of the Committee on Nominations, which was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis:

We beg leave to present the following nominations for the positions named:

1. Board of Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home: Rev. J. M. L. Lyerly, Ph. D., Rev. W. W. Rowe, Mr. J. T. Plott.

2. Mrs. Rebecca Solliday Church building Fund: Rev J. M. L. Lyerly, Ph. D.

3. Missionary and Stewardship Committee: Rev. R. E. Leinbach.

4. Treasurer of Classis: Rev. D. E. Bowers.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. PALMER,
F. R. LEFEVER,
E. D. FOX.

ARTICLE XVI.

RELIGION AND STATISTICS.

The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee perused the reports and tabulated the statistics. The parochial reports are humble in spirit, ascribing to God thanksgiving and glory for His goodness and mercy; they are encouraging in substance, showing substantial gain in some respects, and most unusul activity in other respects. The regular channels of church life have been broadened and deepened and there is now a larger flow of life in the forms of service and of substance than hitherto known.

With an unusual opportunity and experience, as furnished by the Forward Movement, it is only natural and logical to expect an unusual moral, social, financial and spiritual result. A mighty impress has already been made by emphasizing the fundamentals. We note the enrollment of many intercessors, many tithers, some 100 per cent. weekly-church-paper-reading-consistories, and a 57 per cent. increase of church papers for the Classis.

A most gratifying number paid the full apportionment, which is a healthy sign; other benevolences were largely contributed to; many salaries have been increased—some handsomely — one having been made a front-line congregation in that respect. We learned with great joy that our Classis occupies a place of distinction in being the first to go "over the top" in the Forward Movement Campaign for substance.

We note the organization of a promising congregation at Kannapolis during the year. We note with sorrow the death of three elders, also the death of Dr. A. R. Holshouser, a quiet, gentle member of this body.

With the Church just beginning to move and with an inspiring hope for the coming of General Synod to our state it does not yet appear what this year and the coming years hold for us, but if we will emphasize the spiritual above all else, then the clarified visions and enlarged activities will be sanctified and the Great Head of the Church will be abundantly glorified. Surely the Church is in a position and a condition to experience a more abundant life in Him whom we are called to serve.

Respectfully submitted,

A. S. PEELER,
A. A. LONG.

The statistics will be found in the appendix.

ARTICLE XVII.

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING.

The next annual meeting of Classis will be held in Trinity Reformed Church, Conover, N. C., Tuesday evening, May 3, A. D. 1921, at 8 o'clock.

ARTICLE XVIII.

EDUCATION.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF CATAWBA COLLEGE.

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

As President of the Board of Trustees of Catawba College I present the following report:

At the annual meeting of the Board on May 20, 1919, the following officers were elected for the current year: President, Rev. Walter W.

Rowe; Vice President, Dr. Clarence Clapp; Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. J. B. Leonard.

The work of the past year has been very satisfactory, and President Wolfinger and his teachers deserve the commendation and encouragement of this Classis in their work.

The total enrollment of the College and Academy at the present time is 115. These are classified in the various departments of the institution. The graduates are as follows: Literary Department, 1; Expression, 1; Business, 2; Music, 1.

It is worthy of note that Catawba Academy is now on the accredited list of Academies in the state, and this year for the first time graduate exercises are held in connection with this department. In order that the College professors may be relieved of a portion of their work that they may devote more time to College work especially, an additional teacher is very much needed in the Academy. New teachers in the Music Department and also that of the Department of Expression are a necessity for next year.

The friends of the institution cannot but rejoice over the outcome of the great campaign in our denomination in the Forward Movement. As a result of this Movement supplemented by funds coming to us from the Interchurch World Movement, the College will come into posession of $300,000 for endowment, with $25,000 additional for debts and repairs.

But friends of the College should bear in mind that it will be a period of five years before the institution will have the benefit of this entire amount. The institution must go forward in the meantime and there must be a way to carry forward the work. The President of the College, Dr. Wolfinger, and the Board have no solution to offer but that which was followed during the past two years, known as the Catawba League. If the churches will respond to this, the work can be carried on until we secure the endowment. Our plans for the past year were to secure five hundred members of this League. Up to the present time there are only 342 enrolled. We are short here 158. With this additional number the bills of the institution can nearly be met. For the coming year it will require a larger number of the members of the League in order to carry forward the work if we are to make any progress. A larger apportionment on the churches for the cause of education has also been suggested by some. But whatever plan may be followed, it is absolutely vital to the life of the institution that we rally around it at this time as never before.

We challenge the Classis of North Carolina for its continued loyalty in the matter of funds and students, both of which are essential to the success of any College or Academy.

It is with interest that we report the fact that at a meeting of citizens in Newton recently a committee of representative men was

appointed to begin a fund for a Science Building. This is a great opportunity that presents itself to the local people of the College, and if they will only arise to the occasion that presents itself and place on the campus a building as mentioned above, it would forever dispel any doubts in the minds of the members of the Classis as to permanent location of the institution. We trust that those locally interested will accept this as an opportunity in order that a greater confidence will be established in the hearts and minds of the people throughout the Classis.

We will not take the time of this body to emphasize the specific needs of the institution at this time. But again let us repeat: Money and students are important. Let us rally to the College and give both.

WALTER W. ROWE,
President of Board of Trustees.

The Treasurer's report is submitted with this report for your careful consideration.

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

I beg to submit to your reverend body a supplement to my report to the Board of Trustees of Catawba College, as follows:

Receipts—

Cash on hand at last report	$ 100 29
To cash, loans	3600 00
To cash, interest	1723 91
To cash, North Carolina Classis	801 45
To cash, book account	667 05
To cash, interest on Library Endowment	55 63
To cash, bills and tuition	11,434 77
To cash, Catawba College League	2,870 50
To cash, all sources not in above	459 10
Total	$21,712 70

Disbursements—

By amount paid for labor	$ 1613 65
" " " " interest	121 44
" " " " insurance	275 93
" " " " canvassing and traveling expenses	335 64
" " " " advertising	162 48
" " " " printing, postage and stationery	397 08
" " " " freight, express and drayage	79 44
" " " " light and water	234 54
" " " " equipment and repairs	933 35
" " " " book account	800 66
" " " " library account	57 05
" " " " rents	91 75

By amount paid for fuel	812	59
" " " " matron	180	00
" " " " provision account	2783	01
" " " " teachers on salary	8759	93
" " " " building and loan dues and interest	411	44
" " " " purchase of Dr. Foil residence	3000	00
" " " " items not in above	357	82
Cash on hand May 1, 1920	304	90
Total	$21,712	70

J. B. LEONARD, Treasurer.

The following report of the Committee on Education was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Education beg leave to make the following report:

The reports of the President of Board of Trustees and of the Treasurer of Catawba College and the report of the Board of Education of the Synod of the Potomac, together with a letter addressed to Rev. W. W. Rowe from the Secretary of said Board, were placed in our hands.

The reports of the President of the Board and Treasurer of Catawba College are printed with this report.

From the report of the Board of Education of the Synod of Potomac we gather that the increased cost of living, etc., demand that the Board must increase its appropriation to College students to $300 and to Seminary students to $250. To secure the funds for this necessary increase, the apportionment on the several Classes for this cause must be increased.

We recommend the following:

1. That Classis rejoices in the success of the College

(a) In the securing of 342 members of the Catawba League.

(b) In the success of the school work during the past year.

(c) In the placing of Catawba Academy in the accredited list of Academies of the state.

(d) In the assurance that Catawba College will secure an endowment of $300,000 and an additional $25,000 to pay off the present indebtedness of the College, through the Forward Movement of our Church and the Interchurch World Movement.

(e) In the interest on the part of the citizens of Newton in the erection of a science building for the College.

2. That Classis urge its pastors and people to continue and increase their support of the Catawba College League, that the re-

quired 500 members may be secured to meet the current needs of the institution.

3. That Classis apportion 25 cents per member for the needs of the College during the coming year.

4. That Classis urge all pastors and members of our respective churches to send their young people to Catawba College, realizing that this is the only way we can hope to build up a large student body.

5. That Classis express its hearty appreciation to Dr. Wolfinger and his faculty for the efficient services rendered during the year.

6. That Classis apportion $882 for beneficiary education as requested by the Board of Education of Synod of Potomac.

7. That Classis request the Board of Education of the Synod of Potomac to supplement the amounts now being received from the Solliday Fund by the ministerial students under the care of Classis to make the total amount received $250 for students in Catawba College.

8. That pastors be requested to challenge the young people of their respective churches to give their lives to wholesome Christian service, that the greater needs of the Church may be supplied.

Respectfully submitted,
L. A. PEELER,
JOHN A. KOONS,
A. A. BLACKWELDER.

ARTICLE XIX.

FINANCE.

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

The Treasurer of Classis begs leave to submit the following as his annual report:

Receipts.

SPECIAL OBJECTS.

Armenian and Syrian Relief—		
Mt. Zion, China Grove	$ 39 68	
First, Charlotte	21 43	
First, Greensboro	60 00	
		$ 121 11
Catawba College Special—		
First, Greensboro		$160 00
Sunday School Missions, Special—		
Smyrna S. S.	$ 5 80	
Second S. S., Lexington	30 00	
St. Mark's S. S.	8 00	

First S. S., Waughtown	21 00
Emanuel S. S., Lincolnton	9 00
St. Paul's S. S., South Fork	17 00
First S. S., Greensboro	32 00
Zion S. S., Lenoir	10 00
First S. S., Lexington	60 60
Bethlehem S. S.	7 35
Hebron S. S.	12 00
Mt. Hope S. S., Guilford	25 00
Bethany S. S., Upper Davidson	13 00
First S. S., Charlotte	11 00
Heidelberg S. S.	20 00
St. Matthew's S. S.	2 75
Daniel's S. S.	5 00
Grace S. S., South Fork	15 00
Pilgrim S. S.	30 00
Keller's S. S.	9 00
Trinity S. S., Concord	20 00
Burlington S. S.	18 70
Bethel S. S., Bear Creek	42 00
Brick S. S.	15 54
St. Luke's S. S.	10 00
Grace S. S., Newton	22 00
Bethel S. S., South Fork	11 00
First S. S., Salisbury	20 00
New Gilead S. S.	14 00
Bethel S. S., High Point	19 00
Mt. Zion S. S.	25 00
Shiloh S. S.	28 00
Mt. Hope S. S., Faith	7 00
Beulah S. S.	26 00
Mt. Tabor S. S.	17 00
Beck's S. S.	17 00
Jerusalem S. S.	5 00
Hedrick's Grove S. S.	14 00
Corinth S. S.	28 00
	$ 702 74

Foreign Missions, Special—

Balance in treasury	$ 5 00
Rev. Shuford Peeler	100 00
Mt. Zion-Landis	700 00
First, Charlotte	29 57
Kannapolis	11 40
Hickory	500 00
Thomasville	6 00
St. Paul's S. S., Kannapolis	5 20
	$ 1357 17

Special Fund—

Albemarle Church Property Fund	$1696 02	
Interest for three months	16 96	
		$1712 98

Home Missions, Special—

Balance in treasury	$ 5 00	
St. Paul's, S. Fork, Home Mission Day	10 00	
Concord, Home Mission Day	7 51	
Thomasville, Home Mission Day	3 00	
Kannapolis, Home Mission Day	9 25	
Mt. Zion, Home Mission Day	22 00	
Beulah, Home Mission Day	3 83	
Greensboro, Home Mission Day	10 32	
First, Waughtown, Home Mission Day	6 87	
Grace, Faith Charge, Home Mission Day	9 25	
St. Paul's, Kannapolis, Home Mission Day	10 00	
Landis, Home Mission Day	10 25	
Charlotte, Home Mission Day	17 25	
Greensboro, for W.-Salem, Home Mission Day	38 00	
		$ 162 53

Sunday School, Special—

First, Waughtown	$ 5 37	
Bethel, High Point	5 94	
Corinth, Hickory	7 27	
Grace, S. Fork	4 44	
St. Paul's, S. Fork	3 63	
Bethany, Upper Davidson	2 00	
Emanuel, Lincolnton	8 75	
Grace, Newton	12 24	
Hebron	8 98	
Mt. Zion	20 00	
First, Charlotte	8 47	
		$ 87 09

War Emergency Fund—

Balance in treasury	$55 00

Nazareth Orphans' Home—

Emanuel S. S., Emanuel Charge	$ 13 07	
Calvary S. S., Emanuel Charge	35 55	
Zion S. S., Emanuel Charge	42 87	
First, Greensboro	241 56	
Bethany, Upper Davidson	5 00	
First S. S., Lexington	337 89	
Second S. S., Lexington	111 40	
Friedland Moravian S. S.	65 00	
Greenwood Revival Meetings	13 13	
Thomasville	30 00	

Union Thanksgiving services, S. Fork	24 59	
Bethlehem S. S	12 26	
Hebron	15 71	
First, Waughtown	57 38	
Ladies' Aid Society, First, Waughtown	15 20	
Kannapolis	14 61	
St. Paul's, S. Fork	19 00	
Mt. Hope, Faith Charge	5 60	
Bethel, S. Fork	7 21	
St Paul's, Kannapolis	28 50	
Lincolnton	18 81	
		$1114 34

RECEIVED ON APPORTIONMENT.

	Contingent	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Potomac Synod Contingent	General Synod Contingent	Catawba College	Beneficiary Education	Theological Seminary	Ministerial Relief
Bal. in Treasury	$1754 63	$783 02	$737 49	$56 02	$25 14	$298 29	$78 58	$47 25	$101 6[illegible]
Hickory	107 58	260 80	260 80	6 52		48 90	34 23	21 19	32 60
Guilford	75 57	12 00	12 00	4 58		23 85			
Faith	111 54	216 90	216 90	6 76		50 70	17 65	10 91	16 80
Mt. Zion-Landis	118 14	286 40	286 40	7 16		53 70	37 59	23 27	35 80
Bear Creek	121 77	295 20	295 20	7 38		55 35	38 75	23 97	36 90
South Fork	103 39	250 47	250 40	6 26		46 95	32 86	20 34	31 30
Lincoln	85 47	171 90	168 40	5 18		38 85	14 07	8 71	13 40
Newton	66 00	160 00	160 00	4 00		30 00	21 00	13 00	20 00
Gilead	62 04	150 40	150 40	3 76		28 25	19 74	12 22	18 80
Salisbury	29 70	72 00	72 00	1 80		13 50	9 45	5 85	9 00
First, Lexington	141 57	343 20	343 20	8 58		64 35	45 05	27 89	42 90
Second, Lex'gton	36 30	88 00	88 00	2 20		16 50	11 55	7 15	11 00
Lower Davidson	114 84	138 26	138 26	6 96		52 20			
Upper Davidson	181 50	90 75	110 75	11 00		75 50			
First, High Point	44 88	108 80	108 80	2 72		20 40	14 28	8 84	13 60
Bethel, High P't	14 52	23 20	23 20	88		6 60			
Thomasville	37 95	92 00	92 00	2 30		17 25	12 07	7 48	11 50
Emanuel	116 49	3 30	4 46	7 06		52 95			
Concord	37 95	92 00	92 00	2 30		17 25	12 08	7 47	11 50
Greensboro	47 19	114 40	114 40	2 86		21 45	15 02	9 30	14 30
Burlington	52 80	128 00	128 00	3 20		24 00	16 80	10 40	16 00
Lenoir	19 14	46 40	46 40	1 16		8 70	6 09	3 77	5 80
Brookford	16 50	10 00	10 00	1 00		7 50			
Catawba	63 69	154 40	154 40	3 86		28 95	20 27	12 54	19 30
Waughtown	76 56	96 49	96 34	4 64		14 85	10 40	6 43	9 90
Rockwell	78 79	130 40	130 40	3 26		24 45	17 12	10 59	16 30
Lincolnton	23 43	56 80	56 80	1 42		10 65	7 46	4 61	7 10
Winston-Salem	11 88	28 80	28 80	72		5 40	3 78	2 34	3 60
Charlotte	16 83	40 80	40 80	1 02		7 65	5 36	3 31	5 10
Kannapolis	19 47	47 20	47 20	1 18		8 85	6 20	3 83	5 90
Mt.Bethel									
Interest	131 50								
Arrearages									
Emanuel	52 82			7 40	6 00				
St. Mark's	43 75								
Total	4016 18	4492 18	4464 30	185 14	31 14	1173 79	507 45	312 66	510 05

Disbursements.

Contingent—

Rev. Shuford Peeler, expenses to General Synod	$ 12 65	
Rev. W. W. Rowe, expenses to General Synod	12 35	
Rev. W. H. McNairy, expenses to General Synod	14 61	
Rev. Dr. J. C. Leonard, expenses to Gen. Synod	11 70	
Stated Clerk, salary and expenses	62 17	
Treasurer salary and expenses	33 00	
Stewardship Committee expenses	1 05	
Com. on Kannapolis Work	10 00	
Com. on Bethel High Point	90	
Editor of Standard, salary	25 00	
Business Manager of Standard, salary	25 00	
For publication of Standard	600 00	
Notes of Classis	600 00	
Interest on notes of Classis	200 50	
Minutes of Classis	209 13	
Postage on Minutes of General Synod	15 07	
Expenses of Ex. Com. of Classis	16 29	
Sustentation, Catawba Charge	250 00	
Hickory, use of church	10 00	
Sustentation	73 00	
Postage, Minutes of Potomac Synod	16 46	
		$2198 88

Beneficiary Education—		
Rev. F. A. Rupley, Treas.	$397 50	
Foreign Missions—		
Rev. A. R. Bartholomew, D. D., Sec.	$3645 61	
Foreign Missions, Special—		
Rev. Dr. A. R. Bartholomew, Sec.	$1357 17	
Home Missions—		
J. S. Wise, Treas.	$4028 49	
Home Missions, Special—		
J. S. Wise, Treas.	$124 53	
Schlatter Memorial	38 00	
		$ 162 53
Catawba College—		
J. B. Leonard, Treas.	$1099 74	
Catawba College, Special—		
Rev. Dr. A. D. Wolfinger	$160 00	
Ministerial Relief—		
Rev. Dr. J. W. Meminger, Treas.	$333 45	
Theological Seminary—		
J. Travers Thomas, Treas.	$170 02	
Potomac Synod Contingent—		
J. Travers Thomas, Treas.	$126 00	

Armenian and Syrian Relief—
J. S. Wise, Treas. $121 11

Classical S. S. Missions, Special—
Rev. J. Wade Huffman $806 25

Albemarle Church Fund—
J S. Wise, Treas. $615 00
Charlotte 548 99
Winston-Salem 548 99
$1712 98

Sunday School, Special—
Prof. C. O. Althouse, Treas. $87 09

War Emergency Fund—
H. E. Paisley, Treas. $55 00

Nazareth Orphans' Home—
George H. Moose, Treas. $1114 34

Summary of Receipts and Disbursements.

	Received	Paid out	Bal. in Treas.
Contingent	$4016 18	$2198 88	$1817 30
Home Missions	4492 29	3708 49	783 80
Home Missions, Special	162 53	162 53	
Foreign Missions	4464 30	3645 61	818 69
Foreign Missions, Special	1357 17	1357 17	
Potomac Synod Contingent	185 14	126 00	59 14
General Synod Contingent	31 14		31 14
Catawba College	1173 79	1099 74	74 05
Catawba College, Special	160 00	160 00	
Beneficiary Education	507 45	397 50	109 95
Theological Seminary	312 66	170 02	142 64
Ministerial Relief	510 05	333 45	176 60
Nazareth Orphans' Home	1114 34	1114 34	
Armenian and Syrian Relief	121 11	121 11	
Sunday School, Special	87 09	87 09	
War Emergency Fund	55 00	55 00	
Albemarle Church Fund	1712 98	1712 98	
Classical S. S. Mission	702 74	806 25	Deficit 103 51

Indebtedness of Classis.

Winston-Salem $ 650 00
Charlotte 3000 00
Landis 1000 00
$4650 00

Interest Due Classis.

Winston-Salem $15 00
Charlotte 36 00
Landis 60 00
$ 111 00

Note—Paid out of Sustentation Fund, $250.00; balance in Fund, $506.00.

Amount received on apportionments, $11,559.46.

Amount received for special objects, $3680.98.

Arrearages.

Contingent—

Fairview, Guilford, $3.96; Brick, Guilford, $29.04; Bethany, Rockwell, $0.74; Mt. Bethel, $1.98.

Potomac Synod Contingent—

Fairview, Guilford, $0.24; Brick, Guilford, $1.76; Bethany, Rockwell, $1.56; Mt. Bethel, $0.12.

Arrearages, 1918-19.

Contingent—

St. Mark's, $7.50; Fairview, $9.84; Bethany, Rockwell, $6.98; Bethel, High Point, $11.48; Mt. Bethel, $2.46.

Potomac Synod Contingent—

St. Mark's, $2.81; Fairview, $0.54; Bethany, Rockwell, $1.75; Bethel, High Point, $1.12; Mt. Bethel, $0.24.

Respectfully submitted,
D. E. BOWERS, Treasurer.

The Committee on Finance submitted the following report, which was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

The Committee on Finance have examined the report of the Treasurer for the past year and find it correct, and recommend its adoption.

The following apportionments have been sent down by the Classis to the congregations:

Contingent Fund	34½c.	per member
Potomac Synod Contingent	2½c.	" "
Beneficiary Education	13½c.	" "
Theological Seminary	6¼c.	" "
Home Missions	80c.	" "
Foreign Missions	80c.	" "
Ministerial Relief	10c.	" "
Catawba College	25c.	" "

Respectfully submitted,
D. E. BOWERS,
J. T. HEDRICK.

ARTICLE XX.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Permanent Committee on Sunday Schools presented their report which was received and adopted. It will be found under that

item in the report on the Minutes of Classis. The statistics will be found in the appendix.

ARTICLE XXI.

BENEVOLENT INSTITUTIONS.

Report of the Board of Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home.

The Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home beg leave to offer their report:

Fifty-one children, 24 girls and 27 boys, are now being cared for in the Home. During the year 8 were dismissed and 13 were admitted.

The Church will rejoice to know that during the past year the health of the children was good, there being no need to call in the physician.

The school facilities during the year were better than hitherto, and more progress was made by the children.

The religious training has been carefully attended to, and after proper instruction by catechization and otherwise the children are confirmed in Bethany Church near by.

The past year's concert class visited a large part of the Classis, and met with hearty reception and splendid results, amounting to $2700.

The Thirteenth Anniversary was the best yet, in point of interest on the part of the people, both in attendance and contribution, the crowd running into thousands and the receipts, $1400.

The productivity of the farm was curtailed by the excessively dry weather last summer, though the harvests materially reduced the provision and feed expenses.

A number of things were added by way of improvements or additions: A cow, larger engine, electric washer and wringer, two new ranges and other minor improvements.

The contributions have been larger than in any previous year. More than $1500 worth of clothing, goods and supplies have been received from individuals, societies and other organizations. The Treasurer's receipts were $11,520; disbursements, $10,536; with a balance on hand of $1284. The outstanding indebtedness is $3325. The invested endowment now amounts to $13,800.

During the past year a fraction over 16 acres of desirable land was purchased, and the Managers started to secure funds towards the girls' dormitory, but thought it best to call the advance off for the present on account of the Forward Movement. This matter is only postponed for the present.

The term of office of the following Managers will expire at this meeting, and it will be your duty to name their successors: J. M. L. Lyerly, W. W. Rowe and J. T. Plott.

August 5 is the date for the Fourteenth Anniversary, when we hope for the best yet.

The management of the Home asks continued and increased efforts in the support of the Home, both for its current needs and for a greater Nazareth.

Among the immediate needs aside from a girls' dormitory is more farm machinery and help in the operations of the institution. These needs call for more interest and larger contributions. Let individuals, societies, Sunday Schools and congregations be challenged to contribute to this, the Lord's work.

The Treasurer's report is herewith submitted for the information it contains.

Respectfull submitted,
J. M. L. LYERLY, President.....

Report of Treasurer of Nazareth Orphans' Home for Year Ending April 30, 1920.

Balance May 1, 1919	$ 800 60
Receipts for year	11520 03
Total	$12320 63

Disbursements.

Merchandise	$$ 579 03
Groceries, etc	1963 49
Hardware, cement, gas and oil	743 61
Repairs, etc	145 99
Superintendent's salary	1000 00
Salary and expenses of Dr. Lyerly	157 94
Flour and Feed	2064 10
Expenses of class	226 81
School desks	87 24
Garden seeds, clover, oats, wheat, etc	251 37
Insurance	136 45
Purchase of land	1200 00
Purchase of cow and calf	195 00
Car of lime	147 00
Interest on debt	112 84
Washers and engine	502 39
All other sundry items not named above	1022 78
Placed in endowment	500 00
Balance on hand May 1, 1920	1284 58
Total	$12,320 63
Indebtedness	$3325
Invested endowment	$13,800

Respectfully submitted,
GEORGE H. MOOSE, Treasurer.

The Committee on Benevolent Institutions offered the following report, which was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Benevolent Institutions beg leave to make the following report:

We rejoice over the unification of the Ministerial Relief work of our Church; also in the increased gifts to the Board during the past year. We recommend the earnest presentation of this worthy cause to all our people, the appointment of an informant and the apportionment of 10 cents per member for Ministerial Relief.

We rejoice in the continued prosperity of Nazareth Orphans' Home under the efficient direction and sacrificing efforts of Mr. and Mrs. Werner. We recommend that the worthy cause of this institution be presented annually to each congregation, either through the class or some representative of the Home, and urge the presence and hearty co-operation of our membership in the celebration of our Fourteenth Anniversary Day, August 5th, and recommend an increase in the salary of Mr. and Mrs. Werner as an appreciation of their valuable service.

J. H. KELLER,
G. E. PLOTT,
J. O. MOOSE.

ARTICLE XXII.

EXAMINATION AND LICENSURE.

The committee presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Examination and Licensure beg leave to report that no applicant has been referred to us.

W. H. McNAIRY,
J. H. SHUFORD,
JOHN D. A. FISHER.

ARTICLE XXIII.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

The following report was received and adopted:

Your Committee on Young People's Societies find a considerable decline in this work according to the reports received. A comparison of the reports in hand with the reports of last year discloses the following facts: First, only eleven societies have reported as compared to nineteen last year, which leads to the inference either that eight societies have been abandoned, or that eight societies have been negligent in the matter of handing in their reports. This, of course,

would quite naturally reduce the total number of members, which we find to be 281 as compared to 475 reported for the year 1918-19. The total contributions for the year are $169 as compared to $381 the year previous, a decrease of $212. Furthermore a comparison of the 1917-18 report with the report of 1918-19 shows a falling off of 117 members and a decrease in contributions of $342. At this rate of decline it will be a matter of but a few years until there will be no members of Young People's Societies in the Classis. We, therefore, recommend:

First, That the members of Classis consider seriously the above facts

Second, That we endeavor to secure young men and women from our societies and congregations to attend the Summer Missionary Conference at Catawba College.

Respectfully submitted,
S. J. KIRK,
OLIVER H. SENSENIG,
W. C. ROSE.

The statistics will be found in the appendix.

ARTICLE XXIV.

NECROLOGY.

The following report was received and adopted by a rising vote:

Dear Fathers and Brethren:

The Rev. Allen Rudolphus Holshouser, M. D., minister and medical doctor, died from injuries sustained in an automobile accident at Granite Quarry, N. C., in his 67th year, on February 26th, 1920. He was born in Rockwell, N. C., March 9, 1853. He received his early education in the local school, Catawba College and University of North Carolina. He graduated from Heidelberg Theological Seminary, Tiffin, Ohio, in 1881.

Dr. Holshouser was ordained to the Gospel ministry August 1, 1881. He held two pastoral charges, Lyons, Kansas, and the Lower Davidson charge, this state. During his ministry in the West he served as President of Kansas Classis.

After some years Dr. Holshouser decided to change his profession. He graduated from the U. S. Grant Medical College, Chattanooga, Tenn., April 4, 1904. On the 29th of May, 1906, he received license to practice medicine in North Carolina. He began his medical profession at Rockwell, N. C., June 23, 1906, where he practiced until his death.

Dr. Holshouser's outstanding work in life was that as a family physician. We recall him best as a quiet, gentle citizen of Rockwell. His presence is missed by all who knew him. Many excellent things might be said of Dr. Holshouser as a physician and a friend of

man, but let us conclude by recalling him "as one who gently and modestly walked through life." Respectfully submitted,

S. A. TROXELL,
JOHN A. KOONS,
ADAM LYERLY.

ARTICLE XXV.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The following action was taken with reference to next year's business:

Resolved, That the President of Classis be instructed to appoint some member of this body, prior to the next annual meeting, to prepare the report on the Minutes of General Synod and also of Potomac Synod; that 5 days before the meeting the parochial reports with statistics be sent to the President of Classis, the Sunday School statistics to the Chairman of the Committee on Sunday Schools, and the reports of Young People's Societies to the Superintendent of this department.

The following sums were referred to the Committee on Finance for apportionment: Stated Clerk's salary and expenses, $68.82; Treasurer's salary and expenses, $32.34; printing Minutes of Classis, $243; Church Building, $700; general contingent, $250; expenses of delegates to General Synod, $100; Reformed Church Standard, $750.

The following report of the Committee on Press was adopted:

To the Reverend North Carolina Classis:

Your Committee on the Press beg to report that they have given reports of the meetings of this Classis to the High Point Enterprise and through some of the brethren and the agency of the Associated Press to papers in Greensboro, Charlotte and Winston-Salem.

Respectfully submitted,

F. R. LEFEVER,
W. L. LEONARD,
D. C. COX.

The following resolution of thanks was adopted:

Resolved, That the Classis of North Carolina wishes to record its hearty appreciation to the pastor and people of First church, High Point, for the hospitable manner in which they have entertained Classis, and the ex-Mayor, F. N. Tate, for his excellent address of welcome on the part of the entire city. We have greatly enjoyed the fine fellowship of these days, our stay in your homes and the elegant luncheons served by the good ladies of the congregation at the noon hour during the sessions of Classis; that the Treasurer of Classis be instructed to pay to the Treasurer of this congregation the sum of ten dollars for the use of their church during these sessions.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That Synod's Board of Education be requested to grant to Student A. Odell Leonard the maximum sum granted to students in the Seminaries.

Rev. J. H. Keller extended a general invitation to all our ministers and people to attend the dedication of the new churches at Mt. Zion and Landis the last Sunday of May of this year.

The Stated Clerk was appointed informant to the Board of Ministerial Relief.

It was ordered that Classis pay half the traveling expenses of delegates attending General Synod this year.

ARTICLE XXVI.

RESUMPTION AND CLOSE.

The Committee on Leave of Absence presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis:

Your Committee on Leave of Absence report that the following have been excused: Revs. P. Barringer, D. D., A. R. Tosh, S. A. Troxell; Elders D. F. Campbell, J. O. Briggs, C. H. Geitner, J. B. Leonard.

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. WELKER,
J. C. PEELER,
J. E. CORRIHER.

At the last session, all business having been transacted, the roll was called and the following not having been previously excused failed to answer to their names: Revs. A. Klinger, W. B. Werner; Elders J. W. Clapp, G. Y. Stone, H. W. Coble, R. F. Cline, K. L. Long, A. A. Long, A. Lyerly, A. L. Shuford.

ARTICLE XXVII.

ADJOURNMENT.

The Classis adjourned finally Thursday afternoon at 5 o'clock to meet in annual sessions in Trinity Reformed Church, Conover, N. C., Tuesday evening, May 3, A. D. 1921, at 8 o'clock.

C. C. WAGONER, President,
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

Attest: Official copy from the original Minutes.
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES

Name of Congregation	Name of Society	Name and Address of Secretary	Members		Contributions			
			Active	Associate	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Other Benevolence	Congrega'al Purposes
Grace, Faith Chg.	Y. P. S. C. E.	Miss Dovie Barringer, Rockwell, N. C.	27				$10	
2d, Lexington	Y. P. S. C. E.	Miss Mary Williams, Lexington, N. C.	20		$12		18	$ 4
1st, Charlotte	Y. P. S. C. E.	Miss Beulah Linn, Charlotte, N. C.	23				20	10
Corinth, Hickory	Y. P. S. C. E.	Miss Mabel Miller, Hickory, N. C.	42			$25	10	5
1st, Greensboro	Y. P. S. C. E.	Miss Thelma Davis, Greensboro, N. C.	15				5	
1st, Greensboro	Jr. Y. P. S. C. E.	Mrs. Maggie Jones, Greensboro, N. C.	23					1
1st, Greensboro	Jr. Congregation	Miss Mabel Davis, Greensboro, N. C.	35					3
Zion, Lenoir	Y. P. S. C. E.	Miss Elizabeth Link, Lenoir, N. C.	13				2	
1st, High Point	Y. P. S. C. E.	Mrs. R. R. Smith, High Point, N. C.	25		15			6
1st, High Point	Jr. Y. P. S. C. E.	Mrs. J. R. Young, High Point, N. C.	30					3
Mt. Zion W. Rowan Chg.	Young People's Society	Miss Nell Deal, China Grove, N. C.	28					20
		Totals	281		$27	$25	$65	$52

STATISTICAL REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Name of Charge	Name of School	Name and Post Office Address of Superintendent	Name and Post Office Address of Primary Superintendent	Membership: 1 Officers and Teachers	Scholars: 2 Primary Dept. incl. Beginners	Scholars: 3 Junior Dept.	Scholars: 4 Intermediate Dept.	Scholars: 5 Senior Dept.	Total (This means the sum of cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)	Av. Attendance (based on cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)	At Home: 6 Cradle Roll	At Home: 7 Home Dept.	Total Enrollment (Add Cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7)	Education: Books in Library	Are Reformed Lesson Helps used in School?	No. Org. Adult Classes	Teacher Training Clas.	No. Teacher Training Students Enrolled	Mission Study Classes	Church Relation: Scholars in full Church Membership	Scholars Baptized but not Confirmed	Scholars Confirmed During the Year	Contributions: Missions: Home	Missions: Foreign	Gen. Synod's S. S. Work	Other Benevolence and Other Objects	Expenses and Support of School
Hickory	Corinth	W. R. Weaver, Hickory, N. C.	Mrs. C. H. Menzies, Hickory, N. C.	23	81	18	24	64	210	137	38		248		yes	2				90	91	11	28	50	7	457	220
Brookford	Faith	Charles E. Huffman, Brookford, N. C.		9	54	14		20	97	58	12		109		no					35	30	4				40	70
Lexington	1st Reformed	J. T. Hedrick, Lexington, N. C.	Mrs. J. C. Leonard, Lexington, N. C.	15	80	70	55	150	370	222			370	320	yes	4				240	47	9	54	46		351	278
2d, Lexington.	Second	T. A. Swing, Lexington, N. C.	Mrs. M. P. Bain, Lexington, N. C.	10	70	101		74	255	152	30		285	60	yes	2	1	12		90	10	8	31	13		121	98
High Point	1st Reformed	John W. Hedrick, High Point, N. C.	Mrs. Edgar Whitener, High Point, N. C.	18	59	28	31	62	193	145	40	21	264		yes	2				106	18	19	50	50	8	715	450
High Point	Bethel	W. F. Clary, High Point, N. C.		8	42	11		20	81	40			81		yes	2											40
Concord	Trinity	J. O. Moose, Concord, N. C.	Miss Ethel Lippard, Concord, N. C.	18	31	9	18	68	144	80		24	168		yes	2				85	50		20		15	139	164
Lenoir	Zion's	K. A. Link, Lenoir, N. C.	Mrs. John R. McNairy, Lenoir, N. C.	12	18	11	9	22	67	39	10	10	87	135	yes					30	15		10		18	43	61
Lincolnton	Emanuel	C. C. Leonard, Lincolnton, N. C.		9	16	5	12	18	60	32			60	20	yes							3	9			1	44
Winston-Salem	Schlatter Mem.	E. A. Sink, 101 Haled St., Winston-Salem		9	46	30		31	116	71	35		151	25	yes	1				41		4				54	29
Faith Charge	Shiloh	Luther Holshouser, Salisbury, N. C., R. 3		14	49	18		66	147	110	16		163	50	yes		1	6		79	84	5	36		10	38	162
	Grace	Berry Wagoner, Rockwell, N. C., R. 1		14	28	22	46	108	218	101	11		229	100	yes					124	90	1			9	98	50
	Mt. Hope	Martin Weaver, Salisbury, N. C., R. 8		13	33	26	40	34	146	85	13		159		yes					59	100	5	7			6	40
Bear Creek	St. James'	J. L. C. Miller, Mt. Pleasant, N. C.		12	25	6	7	51	101	63			101		yes				1	75	26		15	20		119	73
	Bethel	Malcolm G. Lentz, Gold Hill, N. C., R. 2		17	38	35	21	96	207	135			207		yes					159	48		51	5		252	31
	Boger	B. E. Wilson, Concord, N. C., R. 4		12	35	18		56	121	75			121	50	yes					70	35		8	9		77	62
Catawba Charge	Trinity	A. L. Shuford, Conover, N. C.		10	25	15	20	30	100	75	17		117		yes					47	30	6				160	75
	Bethany	L. P. Wilson, Claremont, N. C.		5	30		12	18	64	50			64		yes					27	20	3	6	6		27	7
	Smyrna	Alva Martin, Catawba, N. C., R. 2		9	45	20		66	140	85	12		152		no					75	65	3				12	50

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				1	Scholars						At Home									Missions				
				Officers and Teachers	2 Primary Dept. incl. Beginners	3 Junior Dept.	4 Intermediate Dept.	5 Senior Dept.	Total (This means the sum of cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)	Av. Attendance (based on cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)	6 Cradle Roll	7 Home Dept.	Total Enrollment (Add cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7)	No. of Books in Library	Are Reform'd Lesson Helps used in School?	No. Org. Adult Classes	Teacher Training Class	No. Teacher Training Students Enrolled	Mission Study Classes	Scholars in full Church Membership	Scholars Baptized but not Confirmed	Scholars Confirmed During the Year	Home	Foreign	Gen. Synod's S. S. Work	Other Benevolence and Other Objects	Expenses and Support of School
U. Davidson	Beulah	Elmer Everhardt, Lexington, N. C.	Miss Ada Hinkle, Welcome, N. C.	12	39	73		144	268	109			268		yes					150	10	15	26				130
	Bethany	J. P. Long, Wallburg, N. C., R. 1	Miss Mamie Spoolman, Wallburg, N. C.	8	19	15	40	34	116	50			116		yes					69	4	8	13				50
	Pilgrim	J. Thos. Leonard, Lexington, N. C., R. 2	Miss Winnie Leonard, Lexington, N. C.	14	60	47		120	241	122			241		yes					150	48	15	30				131
Rockwell Chg.	Ursinus	G. H. Peeler, Rockwell, N. C.	Carrie Mae Holshouser, Rockwell, N. C.	17	34	14	19	75	159	105	6		165		yes	4				110	49	12	7	20		2	90
	Bethany	Rev. W. B. Werner, Crescent, N. C.	Mrs. Lewis Safrit, Crescent, N. C.	10	20	25	8	20	83	70	3		86		yes	3				33	53		5	3		25	30
	St. Luke's	David T. Peeler, Salisbury, N. C., R. 6	Mrs. David T. Peeler, Salisbury, N. C., R. 6	8	15	7	12	21	63	48	7		70		yes	1				32	31		4	5		40	30
Gilead Charge	New Gilead	W. M. Penninger, Concord, N. C., R. 3		11	16	14		51	92	55			92		yes					55	25		14		8		29
	Keller	Aaron S. Cook, Concord, N. C., R. 3		8	10	22	24	24	88	50			88		yes					48	30		9		4		17
South Fork	Bethel	G. L. Whitener, Hickory, N. C., R. 1		8	15	10	10	32	75	50			75	25	yes					60	20	2	11				35
	St. Paul's	J. M. Bost, Newton, N. C., R.F.D.		8	20	15	15	52	110	60			110		yes	1				65	25	2	17				45
	Grace	A. R. Anthony, Lincolnton, N. C.		8	25	15	10	52	110	55			110		no					50	30	1	15				40
	Daniel's	T. F. Abernethy, Reepsville, N. C.		8	10			30	48	25			48		yes					30	10	1	5				25
Burlington	1st Reformed	Herbert Coble, Burlington, N. C.		15	38	42	23	41	159	90			159		yes	2			1	90	105	4	35			30	150
Waught'n Chg.	1st Reformed	J. S. Wear, 35 Light St., Winston-Salem		12	41	28	24	60	165	87		6	171	22	yes	2				55	1		21		5		108
	Hebron	A. A. Charles, Winston-Salem, R. 5		9	21	15	20	12	77	65			77		yes					50			13		9		20
	Bethlehem	L. F. Nifong, Winston-Salem, R. 4		6	20	19	20	13	78	45			78		yes					10	1		7				18
L. Davidson	Mt. Tabor	J. C. Crotts, Lexington, N. C., R. 2	Miss Lizzie Lopp, Lexington, N. C., R. 2	11	34	21	9	52	127	73			127		yes	2				87	30	16				40	36
	Hedrick's Grove	J. W. Younts, Lexington, N. C., R. 2	Mrs. Grover Hedrick, Lexington, N. C., R. 2	11	28	12	17	61	129	76			129		yes	2				85	31	18				30	42
	Jerusalem	R. E. Hunt, Lexington, N. C., R. 2		8	14	21		38	81	38			81		no					2	48	17				10	20

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L. Davidson	Beck's	J. A. Tussey, Lexington, N. C., R. 6	Miss Ida Tussey, Lexington, N. C., R. 6	12	35	23	18	66	154	88			154		yes	3				109	38	13				60	60
Emanuel Chg.	Emanuel	W. T. Foutz, Thomasville, N. C.		14	75	36	50	45	220	140			220		no	2				90	46	2				20	35
	Zion	W. M. Eusley, Thomasville, N. C.		15	40	54	45	36	175	75			175		no												20
	Calvary	B. Black, Thomasville, N. C.		10	20	30	20	30	110	60			110		no					65						50	12
West Rowan	Mt. Zion	G. A. Ramsaur, China Grove, N. C.		20	31	40	30	145	266	125			266		yes					140	70	19	25		20	70	286
	1st Ref. Landis	O. L. Linn, Landis, N. C.		9	58	9	21	60	157	94			157		yes	1				66	91	9					129
Thomasville	Heidelberg	F. M. Hunter, Thomasville, N. C.		14	27	38	26	42	144	80	16		160		yes	2				60	20	4	23			23	112
Lincoln Charge	Memorial	John F. Carpenter, Maiden, N. C.		13	10	11	10	32	76	47			76		yes					55	21	6				25	80
	Matthew's	James H. Propst, Lincolnton, N. C.		7	12	18		16	46	27			46		yes					31	12	1				9	12
Newton	Grace	Loomis F. Kluttz, Newton, N. C.		12	28	15	33	53	131	80			131		yes					56	63					11	214
Salisbury	1st Reformed	C. M. C. Barger, Salisbury, N. C.	Mrs. G. C. Fisher, Salisbury, N. C.	9	40	24	12	61	146	68	19	36	201	80	yes	2				105	60	8	39		20	107	113
Greensboro	1st Reformed	J. T. Plott, Greensboro, N. C.	Pauline Gingrich, 403 Spring St., Greensboro	20	62	42	28	74	226	141	21	40	287		yes	4				90	30	3	32		8	94	150
Charlotte	1st Reformed	D. J. Summerow, Charlotte, N. C.	Mrs. S. Peeler, Charlotte, N. C.	12	38	13	6	56	125	70	6		131		yes	3				57	22	8	11		7	100	50
Guilford Chg.	Mt. Hope	M. C. Foutz, Julian, N. C.		12	50	27		78	167	61	62	21	250		yes	2							25			135	36
	Brick	W. Clopp, Burlington, N. C.		9	64	26		84	183	70	21		204		yes								15			55	43
Kannapolis Chg	St. Mark's	N. C. Jeffcoat, Burlington, N. C.		8	30			65	130	42	30		160	100	yes	3				48						40	35
Kannapolis	St. John's	R. B. McCombs, Kannapolis, N. C.		10	43	25	19	31	128	56			128		yes					36	24	3					83
	St. Paul's	O. E. Deal, Mooresville, N. C.		9	11	19	7	36	82	48			82		yes					59	23	2		5			60
			TOTAL FOR CLASSIS	654	1958	1322	871	2996	7772	4400	425	158	8365	987		61	2	18	2	3730	1840	270	727	232	148	3080	4585

CLASSICAL STATISTICAL REPORT.

	Ministers	Post Office Address	Names of Charges or Congregations	Congregations	Members			Baptisms		Additions			Losses				S. Schools			Members Y. P. Societies	Students for Ministry	Contributions					
					Communicants	Communed	Unconfirmed	Infant	Adult	Confirmed	By Certificate	Renewal of Prof'n	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths Communic'ts	Deaths Unconfirmd	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars, Adult Home Dept. incl.			Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Education	Other Benevolences	Congregational Purposes
	John Ingle	Green Park, N. C.	Without Charge																								
	Michael L. Hedrick	Lexington, N. C., R. 6	Without Charge																								
	Peter M. Trexler, D.D.	Salisbury, N. C., R. 6	Without Charge																								
	Paul Barringer, D. D.	Mt. Pleasant, N C	Without Charge																								
1	Jacob C. Leonard, D.D.	Lexington, N. C.	First, Lexington	1	444	356	64	7	11	16	15	1	3	17	.....	.....	1	15	370	.....	1	258	242	152	751	2999
	J. M. L. Lyerly, Ph. D.	Crescent, N. C.	Without Charge																								
2	.....	.....	Pilgrim	1	255	190	50	5	6	15	.....	.....	3	.....	1	.....	1	14	222	.....	.....	86	103	37	95	612
3	James D. Andrew	Lexington, N. C., R. 1	Beulah	1	250	185	.....	3	8	15	2	.....	2	.....	1	.....	1	11	257	.....	1	.....	.....	90	.....	3000
4	.....	Upper Davidson	Bethany	1	75	55	3	2	6	9	.....	.....	1	.....	1	.....	1	9	108	.....	.....	.....	.....	11	39	249
	Julius H. Shuford	Hickory, N. C.	Without Charge																								
5	William H. McNairy	Lincolnton, N. C.	Emanuel, Lincolnton	1	71	45	20	.....	.....	.....	6	.....	5	.....	1	1	1	9	60	.....	.....	70	65	41	.....	2260
	Henry E. Sechler	China Grove, N. C.	Without Charge																								
6	John H. Keller	China Grove, N. C.	Mt. Zion	1	278	200	179	19	1	19	5	.....	11	.....	6	.....	1	20	190	.....	.....	216	766	87	165	11950
7	.....	Mt. Zion-Landis	First, Landis	1	96	80	10	3	.....	9	4	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	1	9	140	.....	.....	70	270	29	9	5412
8	David E. Bowers	Winston-Salem, N. C.	First, Waughtown	1	100	55	1	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	1	12	171	.....	.....	66	20	.....	168	459
9	.....	Waughtown	Hebron	1	98	64	28	6	1	6	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	1	9	77	.....	1	25	12	.....	62	247
10	.....	.....	Bethlehem	1	40	20	1	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	1	6	78	.....	.....	13	6	.....	35	143
11	Walter W. Rowe	Hickory, N. C.	Corinth, Hickory	1	345	270	120	15	6	17	8	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	1	23	225	75	.....	300	350	200	1200	4785
12	Shuford Peeler	Charlotte, N. C.	First, Charlotte	1	70	57	22	5	10	10	16	.....	5	4	.....	1	1	12	131	23	.....	61	187	116	115	2326
	Anthony Shulenberger	China Grove, N. C.	Without Charge																								
	E. Garver Williams, D.D.	Tabor, N. C.	Without Charge																								
13	Lee A. Peeler	Kannapolis, N. C.	St. John's, Kannapolis	1	40	38	29	3	.....	3	38	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	10	118	.....	.....	10	11	10	15	571
14	.....	Kannapolis	St. Paul's	1	62	53	25	2	.....	2	6	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	1	9	73	.....	.....	74	75	35	104	383
	Joseph W. Bell	Foster, Va.	Without Charge																								
15	A. Samuel Peeler	Lenoir, N. C.	Zion, Lenior	1	61	46	20	2	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	12	85	13	.....	109	122	94	624	1598
16	Columbus C. Wagoner	Salisbury, N. C.	First, Salisbury	1	111	88	60	4	1	8	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	9	301	.....	.....	150	115	99	240	2547
17	Dougan C. Cox	Thomasville, N. C.	Emanuel	1	165	120	46	1	3	4	4	.....	2	.....	1	.....	1	14	206	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	21	405
18	.....	Emanuel	Calvary	1	87	70	2	1	3	7	1	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	1	10	110	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	112	150
19	.....	.....	Zion	1	138	75	20	20	18	23	5	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	15	175	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	122	205
20	John A. Koons	Maiden, N. C.	Memorial	1	101	75	30	5	.....	6	.....	.....	4	6	1	.....	1	13	76	.....	.....	86	86	105	95	590
21	.....	Lincoln	Salem	1	31	28	17	1	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	22	22	54	38	226
22	.....	.....	St. Matthew's	1	102	86	46	2	.....	1	.....	.....	1	3	1	.....	1	7	46	.....	.....	40	40	10	5	316
23	Jacob A. Palmer	Thomasville, N. C.	Heidelberg, Thomasville	1	130	71	25	7	4	4	3	14	3	.....	3	.....	1	14	160	.....	.....	118	98	37	140	958
24	.....	.....	Hedrick's Grove	1	116	97	52	5	13	23	6	3	.....	.....	3	1	1	11	118	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30	365
25	John C. Peeler	Lexington, N. C., R. 2	Mt. Tabor	1	76	70	43	24	7	15	.....	3	2	18	2	2	1	10	120	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40	215
26	.....	Lower Davidson	Jerusalem	1	41	32	24	4	2	5	.....	.....	1	.....	3	.....	1	8	70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	215
27	.....	.....	Beck's	1	154	140	98	24	5	12	5	2	1	2	3	1	1	12	132	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60	530
	Albert F. Nace	Jonesboro, Tenn	Without Charge																								
28	William C. Lyerly	Concord, N. C.	Trinity, Concord	1	113	86	39	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	4	.....	2	.....	1	18	150	35	.....	[illegible]	[illegible]	354	1440
																						151	124	142		

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	Ministers	Post Office Address	Name of Charge or Congregation	Congregations	Members: Communicants	Members: Communed	Members: Unconfirmed	Baptisms: Infant	Baptisms: Adult	Additions: Confirmed	Additions: By Certificate	Additions: Renewal of Prof'n	Losses: Dismissed	Losses: Names Erased	Losses: Deaths Communic'ts	Losses: Deaths Unconfirmd	S.Schools: No. of Schools	S.Schools: Officers, Teachers	S.Schools: Scholars, Home Dept.& Cradle	Members Y.P.Societies	Students for Ministry	Contributions: Home Missions	Contributions: Foreign Missions	Contributions: Education	Contributions: Other Benevolences	Contributions: Congregational Purposes
29	Harvey A. Welker	Salisbury, N. C., R. 3	Shiloh	1	102	88	84	4	.....	.....	.....	5	4	.....	2	.....	1	14	163	.....	1	90	90	.....	.....	3577
30		Faith	Grace	1	165	147	90	7	.....	.....	1	.....	5	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	90	90	70	.....	550
31			Mt. Hope	1	65	59	100	2	.....	4	3	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	1	13	159	.....	.....	52	52	.....	27	230
32	G. Ermine Plott	Winston-Salem, N. C.	Schlatter Memorial	1	50	40	7	.....	5	5	8	2	1	.....	.....	.....	1	9	35	.....	.....	31	30	36	60	280
	H.A.M Holshouser, Ph.D.	Winston-Salem, N. C.	Without Charge																							
33			St. Paul's	1	112	75	25	9	.....	2	2	.....	3	.....	1	.....	1	8	110	.....	.....	90	90	56	110	475
34	Harvey A. Fesperman	Newton, N. C., R. 1	Bethel	1	74	50	20	.....	.....	2	1	.....	2	.....	1	.....	1	8	75	.....	.....	58	58	33	95	400
35		South Fork	Grace	1	72	50	25	2	.....	1	.....	.....	5	1	1	.....	1	8	110	.....	.....	63	63	35	40	400
36			Daniel's	1	51	35	8	2	.....	1	1	.....	1	.....	1	.....	1	8	48	.....	.....	40	40	66	100	400
	A. D. Wolfinger, D. D.	Newton, N. C.	President Catawba College																							
	Harvey G. Kopenhaver	Newton, N. C.	Professor Catawba College																							
37			Mt. Hope	1	153	129	50	2	11	12	1	.....	7	1	2	.....	1	12	83	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100	700
38	Albert Klinger	Julian, N. C., R. 1	Brick	1	86	73	32	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	1	9	21	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20	400
39		Guilford	St. Mark's	1	70	45	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20	350
40			Fairview	1	10	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	60
	William B. Werner	Crescent, N. C.	Supt. Nazareth O. H.																							
41	Roy E. Leinbach	High Point, N. C.	First, High Point	1	153	96	39	1	15	4	7	5	2	10	.....	1	1	18	.....	55	.....	179	169	35	409	3182
42	Frank R. Lefever	Greensboro, N. C.	First, Greensboro	1	125	94	31	2	.....	3	7	.....	5	22	1	.....	1	20	267	73	.....	245	150	215	435	1950
43	Samuel J. Kirk	Burlington, N. C.	First, Burlington	1	145	94	105	.....	3	5	2	.....	.....	24	2	.....	1	15	159	.....	.....	125	128	25	75	2429
	Frank L. Fesperman	Tokyo, Japan	Missionary to Japan																							
	Sterling W. Whitener	Nanking, China	Missionary to China																							
44	S. Arthur Troxell	Rockwell, N. C.	St. Luke's	1	50	41	30	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	8	1	1	.....	1	9	60	.....	1	40	40	26	25	220
45		Rockwell	Ursinus	1	120	109	60	5	.....	12	5	1	5	2	1	1	1	17	159	.....	3	84	84	84	46	828
46			Bethany	1	50	40	48	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	13	1	1	.....	1	10	83	.....	2	10	10	20	9	250
47	Aaron R. Tosh	Mt. Pleasant, N. C.	St. James'	1	93	50	25	2	.....	11	3	.....	3	2	.....	1	1	12	101	.....	.....	71	71	28	40	144
48		Bear Creek	Bethel	1	226	125	48	5	.....	15	5	.....	3	1	.....	.....	1	17	196	.....	1	171	171	68	96	548
49			Boger	1	81	40	25	3	.....	15	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	12	121	.....	.....	58	53	21	30	144
50	J. Wade Huffman	High Point, N.C.	Bethel, High Point	1	54	41	9	8	9	10	1	2	4	.....	.....	.....	1	6	55	.....	.....	23	23	.....	.....	500
51			Smyrna	1	48	41	25	5	.....	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	36	30	5	25	150
52	Oliver H. Sensenig	Conover, N. C.	Bethany	1	43	35	18	1	.....	3	3	.....	2	.....	1	.....	1	5	64	.....	.....	35	35	5	27	100
53		Catawba	Trinity	1	104	97	42	5	.....	6	2	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	1	10	117	.....	.....	83	83	11	160	1400
			St. John's																							
54	J. C. Leonard, Supply	Lexington, N. C.	Second, Lexington	1	115	74	11	.....	11	15	3	7	7	10	3	.....	1	10	255	20	.....	82	64	30	185	649
55	W. W. Rowe, Supply	Hickory, N. C.	Faith, Brookford	1	58	42	30	2	.....	4	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	9	100	.....	.....	15	15	8	100	150
56	W. C. Lyerly, Supply	Concord, N. C.	New Gilead	1	134	105	61	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	.....	4	1	1	11	81	.....	.....	139	130	75	192	550
57		Gilead	Keller	1	48	37	26	2	.....	.....	2	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	1	8	80	.....	.....	47	38	15	115	394
58	Vacant	Blowing Rock, N. C.	Mt. Bethel	1	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
59	Vacant	Newton, N. C.	Grace, Newton	1	200	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	7	3	3	.....	1	12	156	.....	.....	166	160	21	176	1850
				59	6511	4714	2368	250	162	366	215	47	161	84	64	11	54	619	6094	294	11	4040	5217	2287	7414	68921

CLASSICAL STATISTICAL REPORT.

	CHURCH	SECRETARY OF CONSISTORY OF CHARGE OR CONGREGATION	POSTOFFICE ADDRESS	Organization				CONTRIBUTIONS										Value of Church Property	
				Officers		6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
				4 Elders	5 Deacons	Number of Families	Weekly Church Papers Taken	Sunday School & Catechetical	Ministerial Relief	Beneficiary Education	Theological Seminary	Colleges	Academies	Orphans' Homes	Sustentation	Contingent Expenses	Other Objects of Benevolence	Churches	Parsonages
1	First, Lexington	J. T. Hedrick	Lexington, N. C.	10	10	182	17	54	41	45	27	107	.....	516	45	194	401	30000	3500
2	Pilgrim	A. P. Long	Thomasville, N. C., R. 1	6	6	95	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	105	.....	95	.....	85	.....	3000	3000
3	Beulah	M. L. Sowers	Lexington, N. C., R. 4	6	6	103	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	30	.....	43	.....	80	.....	300	.....
4	Bethany	W. A. Murphy	Thomasville, N. C., R. 1	4	4	38	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	.....	14	.....	25	17	3000	.....
5	Emanuel	J. A. Shuford	Lincolnton, N. C.	3	3	31	9	8	.....	7	5	41	62	.....	.....	25	1030	25000	7000
6	Mt. Zion	J. E. Correll	China Grove, N. C.	6	6	105	20	20	28	30	18	160	.....	135	.....	94	165	30000	2500
7	First, Landis	J. P. Linn	Landis, N. C.	4	4	39	10	.....	9	10	7	90	.....	65	.....	31	9	25000	.....
8	First, Waughtown	J. S. Wear	Winston-Salem, N. C.	5	5	58	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25	.....	57	.....	35	158	10000	3000
9	Hebron	T. H. Livengood	Winston-Salem, N. C., R. 5	4	4	46	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	.....	32	51	5000	.....
10	Bethlehem	O. H. Bodenhamer	Winston-Salem, N. C., R. 5	2	2	19	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	.....	14	27	3000	.....
11	Corinth, Hickory	J. W. Warlick	Hickory, N. C.	10	10	161	35	.....	33	35	21	144	.....	360	.....	115	1902	50000	7000
12	First, Charlotte	J. C. Peck	11 N. Cedar, Charlotte, N. C.	4	4	30	16	7	5	6	3	117	.....	77	.....	17	125	40000	5000
13	St. John's, Kannapolis	R. B. McCombs	Kannapolis, N. C.	4	4	15	5	6	6	6	4	10	.....	15	.....	.....	21	.....	.....
14	St. Paul's	J. F. McKnight	China Grove, N. C.	4	4	17	4	6	6	6	4	19	.....	77	.....	21	149	2000	.....
15	Zion, Lenoir	A. A. Blackwelder	Lenoir, N. C.	4	4	25	14	18	6	6	4	84	.....	199	.....	20	622	3000	2500
16	First, Salisbury	J. W. Lyerly	Salisbury, N. C.	5	5	46	17	20	9	9	6	99	.....	209	10	20	222	20000	3000
17	Emanuel	H. A. Grimes	Thomasville, N. C.	4	6	70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	43	.....	129	21	1500	2000
18	Calvary	B. Black	Thomasville, N. C.	4	3	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	26	.....	60	.....	1800	.....
19	Zion	W. T. Murphy	Thomasville, N C	4	4	38	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	43	.....	61	61	1500	.....
20	Memorial	S. M. Finger	Maiden, N. C.	4	4	37	8	.....	10	11	7	105	.....	132	9	28	95	2000	1200
21	Salem	Jacob Ramsaur	Lincolnton, N. C., R. 2	3	2	15	5	.....	3	3	2	54	.....	20	3	7	10	2500	.....
22	St. Matthew's	D. F. Campbell	Lincolnton, N. C., R. 4	4	4	36	3	.....	12	6	.....	30	.....	53	13	31	8	4000	.....
23	Heidelberg	F. M. Hunter	Thomasville, N. C.	5	5	65	2	.....	11	12	8	17	.....	52	.....	40	86	6000	3000
24	Hedrick's Grove	Robert L. Beck	Lexington, N. C., R. 2	4	4	38	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	62	.....	30	.....	31	14	500	.....
25	Mt. Tabor	A. H. Kepley	Lexington, N. C., R. 2	4	4	33	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	40	.....	28	17	1500	.....
26	Jerusalem	P. I. Younts	Lexington, N. C., R. 2	4	3	16	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	26	.....	.....	.....	14	15	1500	.....
27	Beck's	E. F. Crotts	Lexington, N. C., R. 6	4	4	47	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	62	.....	60	.....	49	17	2000	1000
28	Trinity, Concord	J. H. A. Holshouser	Concord, N. C.	6	6	48	16	15	12	12	7	123	.....	252	.....	40	35	5000	3000
29	Shiloh	J. D. A. Fisher	Salisbury, N. C., R. 3	4	4	47	5	10	10	11	7	16	.....	200	2	36	.....	6500	1500
30	Grace	L. M. Holshouser	Rockwell, N. C.	4	4	79	5	9	11	12	8	16	.....	167	3	37	.....	5000	2000
31	Mt. Hope	G. H. Pless	China Grove, N. C., R. 1	4	4	24	.....	.....	6	7	4	10	.....	.....	1	23	.....	4000	.....

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32	Schlatter Memorial	E. A. Sink	101 Haled St., Winston-Salem	2	2	20	20		4	4	2	30		11		12	60	25000	4000
33	St. Paul's	J. R. Fulbright	Newton, N. C., R. F. D.	4	4	40	15		11	12	7	37		50		39	110	1800	1200
34	Bethel	G. L. Whitener	Newton, N. C., R. 1	4	4	32	1		8	8	4	21		32		26	95	2000	
35	Grace	A. M. Icard	Lincolnton, N. C.	3	4	34	4		8	8	5	22		70		27	40	2500	
36	Daniel's	J. R. Warlick	Reepsville, N. C.	3	3	15	8		5	5	3	58		82		18	100	2000	
37	Mt. Hope	R. B. Andrew	Sedalia, N. C.	6	4	81	2							90			40	3000	1000
38	Brick	James Shepherd	Burlington, N. C., R. 1	6	4	40								25		34	30	3000	
39	St. Mark's	E. C. Rumbley	Burlington, N. C., R. 4	4	4	30											25	2000	
40	Fairview	Prof. Joyner	Whitsett, N. C.	1	1	5								22			10	2000	
41	First, High Point	J. R. Young	White Oak St., High Point, N.C	6	6	33	6	9	14	15	8	110		126	14	45	484	25000	
42	First, Greensboro	J. F. Tyoxler	343 W. Lee, Greensboro, N. C.	5	5	67	13	8	14	15	9	215		242		50	492	28500	6000
43	First, Burlington	A. G. Hoffman	Burlington, N. C.	6	6	50	11		16	17	10	24				56	256	3500	4500
44	St. Luke's	George D. Peeler	Salisbury, N. C., R. 6	4	2	16	3		5	5	3	18		40			49	1400	
45	Ursinus	George H. Peeler	Rockwell, N. C.	4	4	37	20		11	12	7	160		100			106	1500	1500
46	Bethany	Robert Patterson	Crescent, N. C.	3	3	17	3					20		30				1100	
47	St. James'	J. L. C. Miller	Mt. Pleasant, N. C.	4	4	27	10		9	9	6	13		121	2	29		900	1200
48	Bethel	J. H. Moose, Jr.	Gold Hill, N. C., R. 3	4	4	62	6		21	22	14	32		44	4	71	19	2500	
49	Boger	R. E. Wilson	Concord, N. C., R. 4	3	3	24			6	7	5	10			1	22		1000	
50	Bethel, High Point	G. Y. Stone	High Point, N. C.	3	4	54		6				7				15	51	5000	2000
51	Smyrna	B. A. Hildebrand	Catawba, N. C., R. 2	4	2	18	1		4	5	3	16		10		16	15	500	
52	Bethany	L. A. Wilson	Claremont, N. C., R. 1	4	4	22			4	5	3	16		27		15		600	1000
53	Trinity	A. L. Shuford	Conover, N. C.	4	4	33	5		10	11	7	85		125		37	35	2000	
	St. John's																		
54	Second, Lexington	T. A. Swing	Lexington, N. C.	4	4	60	4	31	10	11	13	30		112	20	47	87	2000	
55	Faith, Brookford	C. E. Warren	Brookford, N. C.	3	3	33						8		35		17	78	900	
56	New Gilead	Fred Neisler	Concord, N. C., R. 3	4	4	60	11		14	15	9	54		109		49	20	2500	1000
57	Keller	H. A. Cook	Concord, N. C., R. 3	3	3	21	1		5	5	3	7		83		17	10	1000	
58	Mt. Bethel																		
59	Grace, Newton	C. M. Rowe	Newton, N. C.	8	8	79			20	21	13	30		84		70		8000	3000
				250	244	2592	360	261	411	440	271	2535	62	4517	127	2134	7490	423900	73000

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SPECIAL MEETING OF CLASSIS, NOVEMBER 26, 1920.

The Classis of North Carolina met in harmony with the following call:

Lexington, N. C., November 12, 1920.

Dear Brother:—The Classis of North Carolina will meet in special session in the First Reformed Church, Greensboro, November 26, 1920, at 1.30 p. m., to attend to the following items:

1. Report of the Committee of Supply of Bethel Church, High Point, and also the Commission on the Bethel Church Property. 2. Report of the Committee of Supply for the Guilford Charge. 3. The Forward Movement of the Reformed Church.

By order of the President.

J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

Rev. W. H. McNairy was made President pro tem. Devotional services were conducted by Rev. A. D. Wolfinger. The following members were present: Revs. J. C. Leonard, W. H. McNairy, D. E. Bowers, W. W. Rowe, D. C. Cox, A. D. Wolfinger, R. E. Leinbach, S. J. Kirk, W. C. Lyerly, O. H. Sensenig; Elders J. T. Hedrick, Edgar Whitener, J. F. Troxler, K. L. Long.

The business was disposed of as follows:

1. The Bethel Church Supply Committee presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

The Committee of Supply for Bethel Church beg leave to submit the following report:

A meeting of the congregation was called to take action on the resolution of Classis with reference to the dissolution of the congregation. The congregational meeting was held September 23, 1920, at 7.30 p. m. The vote to dissolve the congregation was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

D. E. BOWERS,
R. E. LEINBACH,
J. T. HEDRICK.

The following report of the commission to dispose of the Bethel Church property was received and adopted:

Your committee appointed to dispose of the Bethel Church (High Point) property beg leave to make the following report:

The property has been advertised for sale. We are now endeavoring to sell the property privately. Enquiries have been made by two denominations. We hope soon to dispose of the property.

Respectfully submitted,

D. E. BOWERS,
J. T. HEDRICK.

The commission was continued with the former instructions, and also with power to employ an attorney if necessary.

2. The Committee of Supply for the Guilford Charge made the following report, which was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee of Supply for the Guilford Charge beg leave to submit the following report:

Conferences have been held with the Joint Consistory of the charge, with the consistories of the different churches, with official members of two churches, and also with Rev. A. Klinger, former pastor, relative to the restoration of peace and harmony in the charge, and to the securing of either a regular pastor or at least a temporary supply. We cheerfully report that some progress has been made, though not what we had hoped. We recommend the following:

1. That either the Joint Consistory of the Guilford Charge acting as a unit, or the several consistories of the churches composing the said charge acting separately, be requested to secure the services of Rev. Dr. J. M. Lyerly as stated supply until the next annual meeting of Classis, the time of services in the churches to be the same as in the last pastorate.

2. That Rev. A. Klinger be officially notified that he must obey the instructions of Classis given at the annual meeting of Classis to withdraw from the pastorate of the Guilford Charge, and that his attention be called to the obligations of our Constitution assumed by him when he became a member of this ecclesiastical body.

3. That a committee be appointed by Classis as supply for the Guilford Charge, with instructions to assist in carrying out these recommendations, and to place in person the second resolution before Rev. A. Klinger. Respectfully submitted,

D. E. BOWERS,
J. A. PALMER,
J. KIRK.

The following were appointed the committee called for: Rev. R. E. Leinbach, Elders Edgar Whitener, J. T. Hedrick.

3. The following was adopted as a communication to the Forward Movement Commission:

Whereas, The Forward Movement allotted to Catawba College the sum of $125,000 in a budget of $10,847,425.00, a sum inadequate to the needs of the College, as presented in the survey to the Forward Movement, and

Whereas, The Forward Movement, through representatives, Revs. Drs. C. E. Schaeffer and E. S. Bromer, specified a supplemental sum of $200,000 for Catawba College, a fund to be realized from one or both of two sources, namely the Interchurch Budget or oversubscription to the Forward Movement Budget, and

Whereas, The Classis of North Carolina and the Trustees of Catawba College accepted this in good faith, believing that it was adequate and just and sufficient to maintain the College in North Carolina for our Reformed Church, and

Whereas, The Classis of North Carolina oversubscribed her quota to the Forward Movement Budget with the faith that this supplemental amount would be realized as certainly as any part of the budget, and

Whereas, The Interchurch source for the realization of this supplemental amount has absolutely failed and the oversubscription of the Forward Movement Budget is highly improbable, therefore

Resolved, That the Classis of North Carolina respectfully and earnestly asks the Forward Movement Commission in its meeting December 10, 1920, to make provision for the realization of this supplemental amount, or at least the same percentage as that of the budget that is realized.

Resolved, That the Classis send a commission to the meeting of the Forward Movement Commission on the above date to represent this Classis and Catawba College.

The following were appointed on this commission: J. T. Hedrick, J. W. Peeler and Rev. Dr. A. D. Wolfinger.

The Bethel Church Committee reported expenses of $9.00 and the Guilford Charge Supply Committee, $22.40. These sums were ordered paid. Classis also instructed the Treasurer to pay the traveling expenses of those attending this meeting

The Minutes were read and approved, and the Classis adjourned with the Benediction by the Stated Clerk

W. H. McNAIRY, President pro tem.
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

NINETY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSIONS

ACTS AND PROCEEDINGS

of the

CLASSIS OF NORTH CAROLINA

of the

REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES.

ARTICLE 1.

OPENING OF CLASSIS.

The Classis of North Carolina, Synod of the Potomac, Reformed Church in the United States, met in ninety-first annual sessions in Trinity Reformed Church, Conover, North Carolina, Tuesday evening, May 3, A. D. 1921, at 8 o'clock. The sermon was preached by the President of Classis, Rev. C. C. Wagoner, of Salisbury, from the text Exodus 14: 15: "The Lord said unto Moses, 'Wherefore criest thou unto me? speak unto the children of Israel that they go forward.'" Revs. J. H. Keller and J. C. Peeler assisted in the services. Following the sermon the Holy Communion was celebrated, Revs. D. E. Bowers and W. C. Lyerly officiating. The President ordered the calling of the roll. A quorum was present.

ARTICLE II.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

Ministers—John Ingle, J. C. Leonard. D. D., J. M. L. Lyerly, Ph. D., J. D. Andrew, J. H. Shuford, W. H. McNairy, J. H. Keller, D. E. Bowers, W. W. Rowe, S. Peeler, L. A. Peeler, A. S. Peeler, C. C. Wagoner, D. C. Cox, J. A. Koons, J. A. Palmer, J. C. Peeler, W. C. Lyerly, H. A. Welker, G. E. Plott, H. A. Fesperman, A. D. Wolfinger, D. D., H. G. Kopenhaver, R. E. Leinbach, S. J. Kirk, S. A. Troxell, A. R. Tosh, O. H. Sensenig, J. A. Ditzler.

Elders—J. W. Warlick, J. W. Deal, Dr. A. W. Moose, G. D. Herman, C. E. Ramsaur, J. F. Herman, J. Wiley Cook, J. T. Hedrick, T. A. Swing, G. C. Fisher, E. A. Hedrick, Edgar Whitener, R. L. Lopp, John W. Cook, O. M. Rockett, Otis White, I. T. Hedrick, E. V. McGee, D. T. Peeler, C. C. Leonard, F. O. Leonard, E. D. Fox, G. A. Fisher, L. P. Wilson, W. C. Rose.

Advisory Members — Rev. J. C. Bowman, D. D., Westmoreland Classis, Pittsburgh Synod; Rev. W. F. DeLong, Lebanon Classis,

Eastern Synod; Rev. A. V. Casselman, Reading Classis, Eastern Synod; J. S. Wise, Treasurer Board of Home Missions; G. H. Moose, W. A. Reinhart, J. W. Peeler, George Bollinger, R. L. Whitener, J. A. Propst, A. L. Shuford, T. L. Hunsucker, A. A. Blackwelder, David Warlick, J. R. Warlick, J. T. Plott, H. D. Warlick, N. P. Willis, G. I. Edwards, D. M. Carpenter, D. A. Seagel, S. R. Warlick, J. V. Blackwelder.

Visiting Brother—Rev. E. M. Craig, D. D., Presbyterian Church.

The following ministers were absent without reporting: Revs. M. L. Hedrick, Paul Barringer, D. D., H. E. Sechler, F. L. Fesperman, S. W. Whitener.

The following charges were not represented by elders: Guilford; Heidelberg, Thomasville; Brookford; Upper Davidson.

ROLL OF ELDERS.

Charge	Primarius	Secundus
Corinth, Hickory	Jesse W. Warlick	G. Harvey Geitner
Guilford		
Zion-Landis	J. Wilson Deal	J. Press Linn
Bear Creek	Dr. A. Walter Moose	John L. C. Miller
South Fork	George D. Herman	Logan S. Fullbright
Lincoln	Charles E. Ramsaur	Thomas L. Finger
Grace, Newton	J. Fidus Herman	Dr. Herbert E. Rowe
First, Lexington	J. Tilden Hedrick	Harvey H. Koonts
Second, Lexington	Theo. A. Swing	George W. Leonard
First, Salisbury	George C. Fisher	Jack J. Correll
Lower Davidson	Eli A. Hedrick	John H. Beck
Upper Davidson	Martin L. Sowers	Jacob G. Berrier
First, High Point	Edgar Whitener	Emery T. Hedrick
Heidelberg, Thomasville	Randall P. Murphy	Charles S. Long
Emanuel	Robert L. Lopp	Wm. F. Clinard
Trinity, Concord	Jacob O. Moose	John W. Cook
First, Greensboro	Otis M. Rockett	John F. Troxler
Burlington	Otis White	Herbert W. Coble
Zion, Lenoir	J. Pinkney Rabb	Ivey T. Hedrick
Brookford	Yeodom T. Warren	Wm. T. Reese
Waughtown	Solomon C. Hiatt	Edgar V. McGee
Rockwell	David T. Peeler	George D. Peeler
Emanuel, Lincolnton	Columbus C. Leonard	Solomon R. Warlick
Winston-Salem	Fred O. Leonard	Everett A. Sink

First, Charlotte	Eugene D. Fox	Charles H. A. Rupp
Faith	Gordia A. Fisher	Rufus J. Kluttz
Catawba	L. Pink Wilson	B. A. Edwards
Kannapolis	Wm. C. Rose	John V. Blackwelder
Gilead	J. Wiley Cook	Aaron S. Cook

ARTICLE III.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The following were elected officers of Classis: Rev. J. C. Peeler, R. F. D. 2, Lexington, N. C., President; Dr. A. W. Moose, Mt. Pleasant, N .C., Vice President; Rev. Shuford Peeler, Charlotte, N. C., Corresponding Secretary; Elder J. W. Warlick, Hickory, N. C., Reading Clerk; Rev. D. E. Bowers, Winston-Salem, N. C., Treasurer. Rev. J. C. Leonard, D. D., Lexington, N. C., continues Stated Clerk.

ARTICLE IV.

PERMANENT COMMITTEES.

1. Executive Committee—Revs. J. C. Peeler, J. C. Leonard, Elder J. T. Hedrick.

2. Sunday Schools—Revs. S. J. Kirk, O. H. Sensenig, Elder D. T. Peeler.

3. Missionary and Stewardship—Rev. L. A. Peeler, 3 years; Rev. J. A. Ditzler, 2 years; Elder J. T. Plott, 1 year. Auxiliary Committees—Elders A. A. Blackwelder and J. W. Warlick; Rev. W. C. Lyerly and Elder G. C. Fisher;, Rev. G. E. Plott and Elder Edgar Whitener.

4. Mrs. Rebecca Solliday Church-building Fund—J. B. Leonard, 3 years; Rev. J. M. L. Lyerly, 2 years; Rev. H. A. Fesperman, 1 year.

5. George G. Solliday Beneficiary Education Fund—Revs. W. W. Rowe, A. D. Wolfinger, Elder J. B. Leonard.

6. Trustees of Classis—Rev. W. W. Rowe, Elders J. A. Propst, T. L. Hunsucker.

ARTICLE V.

RULES OF ORDER.

The Rules of Order adopted by the General Synod were observed in the sessions of Classis. The President defined the Bar of the

House to be the auditorium. The following hours were fixed for opening and closing: 9 o'clock a. m. to 5 o'clock p. m.; recess from 12 until 1.30 p. m.

ARTICLE VI.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

1. Religious Services—O. H. Sensenig, W. H. McNairy, R. L. Lopp.

2. Minutes of Classis—J. C. Leonard, J. M. L. Lyerly, G. D. Herman.

3. Minutes of Potomac Synod—W. C. Lyerly, A. S. Peeler, J. F. Herman.

4. Minutes of General Synod—W. W. Rowe, L. A. Peeler, E. Whitener.

5. Overtures—S. Peeler, G. E. Plott, J. Wiley Cook.

6. Missions—H. A. Fesperman, J. H. Keller, J. T. Hedrick.

7. Benevolent Institutions—J. A. Koons, D. C. Cox, T. A. Swing.

8. Education—J. D. Andrew, J. A. Ditzler, G. C. Fisher.

9. State of the Church—C. C. Wagoner, A. D. Wolfinger, E. A. Hedrick.

10. Nominations—S. J. Kirk, W. H. McNairy, O. M. Rockett.

11. Finance—D. E. Bowers, H. A. Welker, W. C. Rose.

12. Examination and Licensure—J. H. Shuford, H. G. Kopenhaver, E. D. Fox.

13. Young People's Societies—R. E. Leinbach, J. A. Palmer, C. C. Leonard.

14. Press—A. S. Peeler, A. R. Tosh, F. O. Leonard.

15. Leave of Absence—H. A. Welker, O. H. Sensenig, John W. Cook.

16. Necrology—J. H. Keller, S. A. Troxell, D. T. Peeler.

ARTICLE VII.

COMMUNICATIONS.

1. Copies of the Minutes of Classis and of the Synod of the Potomac and of the General Synod were referred to the committees on these subjects.

2. The Treasurer's report was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

3. The report of the Trustees of Catawba College was read and referred to the Committee on Education.

4. Reports from the Boards of Missions were referred to the Committee on Missions.

5. Reports of the Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home, the Relief Society and the Sunday School Board were read and referred to the proper committees.

6. Other communications were received and referred to the Committee on Overtures.

ARTICLE VIII.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

The sessions of each day were opened and closed with devotional services. The Standing Committee on this subject presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Religious Services beg leave to make the following report:

On Tuesday, May 3, at 8 p. m., Rev. John C. Peeler presided. Rev. J. H. Keller conducted the devotional service. The sermon was preached by Rev. C. C. Wagoner. Holy Communion was celebrated in charge of Rev. D. E. Bowers and Rev. W. C. Lyerly.

On Wednesday, May 4, morning session devotional service conducted by Rev. D. C. Cox, subject, "The Kingdom of Heaven." At the afternoon session devotions conducted by Rev. A. R. Tosh; subject, "Prayer." At the 8 p. m. service Rev. W. W. Rowe presided. Devotions conducted by Rev. W. H. McNairy. Address by Rev. A. D. Wolfinger, D. D.; subject, "Education." Address by Mr. J. S. Wise, Treasurer of Home Mission Board; subject, "Home Missions."

Thursday, May 5, morning session devotions conducted by Rev. J. M. L. Lyerly, Ph. D.; subject, "Spirituality." Afternoon session devotions conducted by Rev. J. D. Andrew; subject, "Introducing Men to God." At the 8 p. m. service Rev. John A. Ditzler presided.

Devotions conducted by Rev. Shuford Peeler. Illustrated address by Rev. A. V. Casselman, Director of Department of Missionary Education; subject, "Menace of Mohammedanism."

Respectfully submitted,

OLIVER H. SENSENIG,
W. H. McNAIRY,
R. L. LOPP.

ARTICLE IX.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

The roll was called and all the ministers of Classis presented reports except M. L. Hedrick, H. E. Sechler, F. L. Fesperman, S. W. Whitener, P. Barringer.

The constitutional questions were asked and the elders gave satisfactory answers. The reports were referred to the Committee on the State of the Church.

ARTICLE X.

MINUTES OF CLASSIS.

The committee presented the following report, which was considered by items, and finally adopted as a whole:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on the Minutes of Classis beg leave to offer the following items of unfinished business:

1. Page 15. a. Executive Committee. b. Sunday Schools. c. Missionary and Stewardship. d. Rebecca Solliday Church-building Fund. e. George G. Solliday Beneficiary Eduation Fund. f. Trustees of Classis.

2. Page 23. Mrs. Russell Yount, of Hickory, was appointed Superintendent of Young People's Societies.

3. Page 23. Rev. H. A. Welker was appointed Superintendent of Teacher Training.

4. Page 23. Hopewell, Forsyth county, was placed in the care of Rev. G. E. Plott.

5. Page 23. The Brookford Church was placed under the care of Rev. W. W. Rowe.

6. Page 23. Rev. C. C. Wagoner was appointed mediary between students and vacant charges.

7. Page 24. Reformed Church Standard Staff, Rev. W. H. McNairy, Business Manager.

8. Page 28. The Second Church of Lexington was committed to the care of Rev. J. C. Leonard.

9. Page 29. The Gilead Charge was committed to Rev. W. C. Lyerly.

10. Page 29. Revs. D. E. Bowers, J. C. Peeler and Elder J. T. Hedrick were appointed with power as commissioners in the case of the Bethel Church property, High Point.

11. Page 31. The congregation at Kannapolis was given power to change its name to St. John's Reformed Church.

12. Page 35. The Catawba Charge was granted $300 sustentation on condition that the charge raise $900.

13. Page 53. The Stated Clerk was appointed informant to the Board of Ministerial Relief.

14. Special. Revs. G. E. Plott, S. J. Kirk and Elder J. F. Troxler were appointed a Committee of Supply for the First Church of Greensboro.

15. Special. Rev. R. E. Leinbach and Elders Edgar Whitener and J. T. Hedrick were appointed Committee of Supply for the Guilford Charge, with certain instructions.

16. Special. Elders J. T. Hedrick, J. W. Peeler and Rev. A. D. Wolfinger were appointed commissioners to go before the Forward Movement Commission, with certain instructions.

17. Special. Revs. A. D. Wolfinger, H. G. Kopenhaver and W. W. Rowe were appointed to install Rev. J. A. Ditzler pastor of Grace Church, Newton.

18. Special. Revs. J. C. Leonard, G. E. Plott and S. J. Kirk were appointed to install Rev. H. A. Fesperman pastor of the First Church, Greensboro.

Respectfully submitted

J. C. LEONARD,
J. M. L. LYERLY,
G. D. HERMAN.

1. The following reports were received and adopted:

(a) To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Executive Committee beg leave to offer the following report:

July 10, 1920, the pastoral relation between Rev. F. R. Lefever and the First Church of Greensboro was dissolved and the charge declared vacant. The following were appointed a Committee of Supply for this church: Revs. G. E. Plott, S. J. Kirk and Elder J. F. Troxler. The following were appointed a Committee of Supply for Bethel Church, High Point: Revs. D. E. Bowers, J. C. Peeler, R. E. Leinbach and Elder J. T. Hedrick.

January 4, 1921, Rev. J. A. Ditzler was received from Maryland Classis, Synod of the Potomac, and his name placed on the roll of Minsters. The call of this brother from Grace Church, Newton, was found in order and confirmed, and the following were appointed to install him pastor: Revs. A. D. Wolfinger, H. G. Kopenhaver and W. W. Rowe.

February 22, 1921, the pastoral relation between Rev. H. A. Fesperman and the South Fork Charge was dissolved and the charge declared vacant. A call to Rev. H. A. Fesperman from the First Church, Greensboro, was found in order and confirmed, and the following were appointed the Committee on Installation: Revs. J. C. Leonard, G. E. Plott and S. J. Kirk.

March 5, 1921, Mr. Fred R. Sowers, a member of Beulah Church, Upper Davidson Charge, was received under the care of Classis as a student for the gospel ministry.

April 15, 1921, Rev. F. R. Lefever was dismissed to Lancaster Classis, Eastern Synod.

Respectfully submited,
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

The President, Stated Clerk and Elder J. T. Hedrick were constituted the Executive Committee.

(b) To the Classis of North Carolina:

The Permanent Committee on Sunday Schools submit the following report and recommendations:

Reports have been received from all the schools except those of the Guilford Charge. Some of these reports are incomplete. We call attention of pastors that the new statistical blanks specify in marginal and foot notes the several columns.

The reports indicate that the schools have made but small gains over the preceding year. The total enrollment in all departments is 8500, a net gain of 135 over last year. The average attendance is 4510, a gain of 110. We call attention to the fact that the Sunday School enrollment is nearly 2000 more than the enrolled communicant membership, no doubt the largest percentage in any Classis in the Reformed Church. We regret that the average attendance is so small, 53 per cent. The goal for the Reformed Church, and all organized Sunday School work, is 70 per cent. Here is our field of work, to increase the average attendance.

There are only seven Teacher Training Classes with 78 pupils enrolled. The future of our Sunday School work depends upon a trained leadership.

The offerings are larger than last year. The offerings for our Publication and Sunday School Board are small; only 14 of the 55 schools made any contribution.

We recommend:

1. That our Sunday Schools use our Reformed literature.

2. That our Sunday Schools, pastors and congregations buy their music and supplies through our Board.

3. That pastors, superintendents, teachers, elders and deacons be challenged to enroll a larger number in Teacher Training that an adequate leadership be provided for our growing work.

4. The apportionment for Sunday School work is 10 cents per communicant member. The Classis makes this apportionment upon all schools.

5. The General Synod, through the District Synods, recommends the observance of Church Literature Day the first Sunday in December, at which time the weekly church paper be presented to the people; also that Christian literature be placed in the homes of our people.

6. That the Campaign of Evangelism through the Sunday Schools by increasing enrollment, average attendance and recruiting the church membership be carried out with faithfulness.

H. A. FESPERMAN,
W. C. LYERLY.

The statistics will be found in the appendix.

The following compose the Committee on Sunday Schools: Revs. S. J. Kirk, O. H. Sensenig, Elder D. T. Peeler.

(c) To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Missionary and Stewardship Committee offer the following report:

We have presented the Missionary and Stewardship interests of the Church through personal presentation, correspondence and through the columns of the Standard. We have printed quarterly reports of all monies received from the several charges, with the hope that this information might inspire a greater endeavor to raise the full amount.

The following churches have paid the apportionment in full: Lenoir; Hickory; Trinity, Conover; Newton; Daniel's; Lincolnton; Salem and Memorial of Lincoln Charge; Salisbury; Zion-Landis; St. John's and St. Paul's, Kannapolis; Concord; Charlotte; St. James; Boger; Shiloh; Lower Stone; Ursinus; St. Luke's; New Gilead; Keller; First and Second, Lexington; Schlatter Memorial; First, Waughtown; Thomasville; High Point; Greensboro and Burlington; making a total of 31, compared with 36 last year. Classis raised this year on apportionment $11,073.65, compared with $11,559.46 last year. We have paid 67.6 per cent. of the apportionment this year over against 78 per cent. last year. We have progressed backwards.

Is this the spirit of our people, or have some failed to do their duty? There is doubtles not a single minister or church officer in the Classis but that feels honor bound to pay every personal obligation assumed. Consistories feel that pastors' salaries are obligations that must be met. This is as it should be, but the assumed apportionment is also an obligation. Not only should every church feel honor bound to pay the apportionment, but the apportionment system is the backbone of the activities of our Church. It is worked out on the basis of the actual needs of the denomination.

That every congregation might be encouraged to pay the full apportionment we recommend the following:

1. That pastors be requested to impress upon consistories and congregations the fact that the apportionment is a debt and that honor demands its payment.

3. That all pastors and consistories be requested to make an ward Movement Program as presented through the Department of Stewardship of Life and Possessions relative to the annual solicitations of tithers in the several congregations, with the hope that we

might develop a tithing Church, which will not only solve all financial problems, but will add impetus to the spiritual growth of the people.

3. That all pastors and consistories be requested to make an annual every-member canvass, using modern methods in the collection of current and benevolent monies, and that full quotas of apportionment be sent Classical Treasurer quarterly, if not monthly.

4. That all congregations who have been paying full apportionment be requested to overpay as much as possible to help make up the deficit caused by weaker congregations.

Attention is called to the expiration of the term of office of L. A. Peeler as a member of the committee, also to the fact that as the committee now stands, the Western District of Classis is not represented on the same. We also suggest that the naming of District Auxiliary Committees be referred to the Committee on Nominations.

Expenses of the committee were $1.80

L. A. PEELER, Chairman,
ROY E. LEINBACH.

Reconstruction of the Missionary and Stewardship Committee and nominations for the Auxiliary Committees were referred to the Committee on Nominations.

(d) To the Classis of North Carolina:

The Rebecca Solliday Church-building Fund Committee beg leave to report that the following are the outstanding loans of this Fund:

Loan to Charlotte	$1000 00
Loan to Charlotte	750 00
Loan to Thomasville	900 00
Loan to Schlatter Memorial	400 00
Total Loans	$3050 00

The details of this Fund are found in the report of the Treasurer of Catawba College.

Respectfully submitted,
W. W. ROWE,
H. A. FESPERMAN,
J. M. L. LYERLY,
J. B. LEONARD.

The vacancy was refered to the Commitee on Nominations.

(e) To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Solliday Beneficiary Fund beg leave to make the following report:

Eight young men have received aid from this Fund during the past year. Five are at Catawba College and three at Central Seminary.

Catawba College.

Thomas R. Safrit (Freshman)	$100 00
Sidney Safrit (Freshman)	100 00
Hoy L. Fesperman (Freshman)	100 00
Charlie E. Hiatt (Freshman)	100 00
Fred R. Sowers (Freshman)	100 00

Central Seminary.

Banks J. Peeler (Middler)	$100 00
Felix B. Peek (Middler)	100 00
O. Bain Michael (Junior)	100 00

Student Odell Leonard is under the care of this Classis and a Middler at the Central Seminary, but he does not receive aid from the Solliday Fund.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. ROWE,
A. D. WOLFINGER,
J. B. LEONARD.

The committee was continued.

(f) To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your Trustees, to whom were referred the interests of Mt. Bethel, Blowing Rock, and the St. Peter's Church property report that in view of the fact that Mt. Bethel reverts back to the original donors your Trustees recommend that Mt. Bethel be erased from the roll of Classis and that the matter be left for future developments. In regard to St. Peter's Church property your Trustees report that they have in their possession five and one-fourth acres of land and $129.30 on interest.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. ROWE,
T. L. HUNSUCKER,
J. A. PROPST.

The Trustees were re-elected.

2. To the Classis of North Carolina:

As Superintendent of Young People's Work I desire to report that during the year I have done but little. No invitations were extended to me to assist in the organization of new societies. In view of the fact that General Synod desires that this work be taken up directly with the Young People's Department, let me insist on every congregation getting in touch with the Secretary of this Department and do something to create more interest in the work. From reports that have come to us it is very evident that this work needs to be pushed.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. RUSSELL YOUNT.

3. To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Teacher Training beg leave to make the following report:

There are according to the statistical blanks seven Teacher Training Classes. This shows that this work is sadly neglected.

We, therefore, recommend and urge that a Teacher Training Class be organized in each Sunday School of the Classis.

Respectfully submitted,
H. A. WELKER.

4. To the Classis of North Carolina:

During the past year a Sunday School has been conducted at Hopewell Church and preaching services held twice each month. Arrangements are now being made to paint and repair the church.

Respectfully submitted,
G. E. PLOTT.

The Hopewell interest was continued in the care of Rev. G. E. Plott.

5. The parochial report was read. The Brookfield Church was placed under the care of Rev. W. W. Rowe.

6. Your committee appointed as mediary between students and vacant charges begs leave to report that three students have work in the Classis during the summer; and an effort has been made to secure a field for the other.

Respectfully submitted,
C. C. WAGONER.

Rev. C. C. Wagoner was continued as mediary between students and vacant charges.

7. As Business Manager of the Standard I make the following report:

We published the Standard twice a month during the year, and carrying out the wishes of Classis as I understood them we carried no advertisements except Catawba College, and that free.

Financial Statement—

May 1, 1920, balance on hand	$ 5 08
Received from Treasurer of Classis	700 00
From other sources	77 25
	$782 33
Paid for printing and mailing the Standard	$691 50
Other expenses	43 87
	$735 37
Balance on hand	46 96

Respectfully submitted,
W. H. McNAIRY.

The staff was re-elected, with the name of Rev. O. H. Sensenig in place of that of Rev. H. A. Fesperman.

8. The parochial report was read. The Second Church of Lexington was continued in care of Rev. J. C. Leonard.

9. The parochial report was read.

10. The commissioners appointed to dispose of the Bethel Church property beg leave to submit the following report:

The church has been sold to the Methodist Protestant Church for the sum of $4000. Of this sum $1000 is to be paid down, $1000, Dec. 1, 1921, and $1000 to be paid annually, the deferred payments to bear interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum.

No satisfactory offer has been received on the parsonage. The property is valued at $3000, and a rental of $25 per month is received on this property.

D. E. BOWERS.
J. C. PEELER,
J. T. HEDRICK.

The commissioners were continued with the powers already conferred.

11. To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

As pastor of the Kannapolis Mission I beg to report that the name of Kannapolis Reformed Church was changed to St. John's Reformed Church, Kannapolis. L. A. PEELER.

12. The conditions were met and the money was paid by the Treasurer of Classis.

13. To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

As informant to General Synod's Board of Ministerial Relief I desire to report that I have attended to such matters as were referred to me during the year.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. LEONARD.

The Stated Clerk was re-appointed for this service.

14. To North Carolina Classis:

Your committee beg leave to report that the duty assigned us was performed until a regular pastor was secured.

Respectfully submitted,
G. E. PLOTT,
S. J. KIRK.

15. To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee of Supply for the Guilford Charge beg leave to report as follows:

In obedience to the commands of Classis your committee visited Rev. A. Klinger and placed before him the action of Classis relative to his withdrawal from the pastorate of the Guilford Charge, and secured from him a promise to no longer officiate in a ministerial capacity within the bounds of the charge.

The committee also in obedience to the action of Classis arranged with Rev. J. M. L. Lyerly to act as supply pastor for St. Mark's and Whitsett, he being already supply for Mt. Hope. In the case of Brick Church, they refuse to accept the services of any supply.

The committee upon three occasions visited the charge and held conferences with the consistories of Brick Church, Mt. Hope and St. Mark's in an effort to bring about a reconciliation of the opposing factions in the charge. In this effort the committee regrets to report

that it was unsuccessful. Though success has not crowned the efforts of the committee, nevertheless it is of the opinion that by the exercise of prayer and patience there is hope that some plan may be found whereby the charge may be made to become a unit in the work of Christ.

R. E. LEINBACH,
J. T. HEDRICK,
EDGAR WHITENER.

The following were appointed the Supply Committee for the Guilford Charge, with the instructions of last year continued: Revs G. E. Plott and Elders J. T. Hedrick and Edgar Whitener.

16. To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your commissioners appointed to go before the Forward Movement Commission to convey in person to the said body the action of Classis relative to the allotment to Catawba College, beg leave to report that the duty was attended to. The Forward Movement Commission guaranteed the sum of $325,000 as the allotment to Catawba College, and went on record that the same would be paid if the whole budget is raised, and in any case the pro rata share of this sum would be paid as collected. Respectfully submitted.

J. T. HEDRICK,
J. W. PEELER,
A. D. WOLFINGER.

17. To the Classis of North Carolina:

The Committee on the Installation of Rev. J. A. Ditzler as pastor of Grace Church, Newton, report that the duty was performed Feb. 20, 1921, by two members of the committee, Rev. W. W. Rowe not being able to be present.

A. D. WOLFINGER,
H. G. KOPENHAVER.

18. To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

We desire to report that Rev. H. A. Fesperman was installed pastor of the First Church of Greensboro the evening of April 3, 1921, all members of the committee being present and taking part in the solemn service. Respectfully submitted,

J. C. LEONARD, Chairman.

ARTICLE XI.

OVERTURES.

The following report was received, considered by items and finally adopted as a whole:

Your Committee on Overtures beg leave to report as follows:

1. A request from the Joint Consistory of the Gilead Charge asking that Rev. W. C. Lyerly be continued as stated supply in harmony with previous arrangements with Trinity Church, Concord. The charge agrees to pay $650 for his support in monthly payments. We recommend that the request be granted.

2. A request from the Joint Consistory of the Catawba Charge asking $300 sustentation for the year ending April 30, 1922. We recommend that the request be referred to the Committee on Missions.

3. A request from the Rockwell Charge asking $300 sustentation for the year ending April 30, 1922. We recommend that the request be referred to the Committee on Missions.

4. The First Reformed Church of Landis asks that the Classis pay the interest on the $1000 promised by said body. In view of the fact that other churches are paying interest on like sums, the committee feels that they can not recommend the granting of the request.

5. A request from the consistory of the First Reformed Church of High Point asking Classis to give to the congregation of the First Church the property known as the parsonage of what was formerly Bethel Reformed Church, High Point. And also in this same connection a request from the First Reformed Church, Waughtown, asking Classis to give $1500 out of the proceeds realized from the sale of Bethel Church property.

We recommend that the request of the First Church, High Point, be granted, and also that the request of the First Church, Waughtown, be granted.

6. An overture from certain members of Grace Church, Faith Charge, asking Classis to help reconcile certain troubles existing in the church.

We recommend that the matter be referred to a special committee.

The following were appointed on this committee, from which the following report was subsequently received and adopted: Revs. W. C. Lyerly, D. E. Bowers and Elder A. W. Moose.

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee to whom were referred the overture from members of Grace Church, Faith Charge, and matters pertaining thereto given by the pastor of said charge, would submit to this body the following report and recommendations:

The members of Classis hear with heartfelt sorrow the estrangement of members and pastor. This Classis desires good-will among its members, and prays the prayer of Psalm 133: "Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." This Classis believes that the petitioners, consistory, church and pastor have this desire at heart. To obtain this prayer we commend that letters be sent to the petitioners, to the pastor and the consistories.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. LYERLY,

A. W. MOOSE.

The carrying out of the foregoing action was entrusted to the Corresponding Secretary.

7. Notice of the reception of Rev. J. Wade Huffman by the Classis of Lancaster, Synod of Ohio. We recommend the adoption of the item.

8. Request from the W. C. M. S. to stress the organization of Woman's Missionary Societies in all the congregations. We recommend that the request be granted.

9. Resignation of Rev. A. R. Tosh as pastor of the Bear Creek Charge and request of pastor and Joint Consistory that the pastoral relationship be dissolved. We recommend that the request be granted and the charge declared vacant.

10. Resignation of Rev. S. A. Troxell as pastor of the Rockwell Charge, and a request of the pastor and Joint Consistory that the pastoral relationship be dissolved. We recommend that the request be granted and the charge declared vacant.

11. Notice of the reception of Rev. F. R. Lefever by Lancaster Classis, Eastern Synod. We recommend adoption of the item.

12. Reports from theological students O. Bain Michael, Felix B. Peck, Banks J. Peeler and A. Odell Leonard. We recommend the adoption of the item.

13. Notice that the term of Rev. C. C. Wagoner as a member of Synod's Board of Ministerial Sustentation expired January, 1921. We recommend that he be re-elected.

14. A request from Rev. H. A. M. Holshouser to be excused from attending this meeting of Classis. We recommend that the request be granted.

15. Reports from ministerial students at Catawba College: Hoy Fesperman, Fred R. Sowers, Charles E. Hiatt, Tom R. Safrit and S. C. Safrit. We recommend the adoption of the item.

16. Request from Rockwell and Faith Charges relative to assistance by the other charges of Classis with supplies to be used on Orphans' Home Day. We recommend that these two charges solicit aid from other charges in the Classis to be used on Orphans' Home Day, and that the following schedule be followed: Rockwell Charge to ask help of Hickory, Brookford, Salisbury, Kannapolis, St. Paul's, Concord, Winston-Salem, Newton, South Fork Charge, Lincoln Charge, Catawba Charge, Thomasville, Lincolnton, Emanuel Charge, Gilead Charge; Faith Charge to solicit from the following: First and Second, Lexington, Mt. Zion, Landis, Boger, Charlotte, Greensboro, Lenoir, Upper Davidson Charge, Waughtown Charge, Guilford Charge, High Point, Burlington, Lower Davidson.

17. Request from the Historical Society of the Reformed Church asking the appointment of a committee so that the society may become more closely identified with our Classical organizations. We recommend that a committee be appointed consisting of Revs. J. C. Leonard, W. W. Rowe and Elder G. C. Fisher.

18. A request from Potomac Synod's Committee on Vacancy and Supply for the appointment of a similar Classical Committee. We recommend that the Executive Committee be appointed to serve in this capacity.

19. A communication from the Commission on Social Service and Rural Work asking for the creation of a Classical Commission.

We recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That the Classis of North Carolina approves of the action of the Board of Home Missions in creating the Commission of Social Service and Rural Work, and that we express our appreciation of the appointment of one of our members, Rev. J. C. Peeler, on the Commission; that we pledge to the Commission our sincere co-operation in this important work of planning for better social conditions in all industrial lines. and in better caring for the vast interests in our rural churches; and that the following brethren be appointed as our Classical Committee on Social Service and Rural Work: Revs. J. C. Peeler, J. H. Keller and Elder Edgar Whitener.

20. A copy of the Anniversary Brochure of the First Reformed Church of Lexington. We note with pleasure the observance of the twentieth anniversary of the organization of the First Church of Lexington, Rev. J. C. Leonard, D. D., pastor, and we extend congratulations and best wishes for the continued success and growth of this church.

21. A suggestion has come that the Board of Missions may enroll West Hickory at its July meeting. It is gratifying to learn this good news. We recommend that the Classis respectfully overture the Board of Home Missions to enroll this point as a mission at the regular meeting in July.

22. A request from Rev. A. R. Tosh to be dismissed to Virginia Classis, Synod of the Potomac. We recommend that the request be granted.

23. Rev. S. A. Troxell asks to be dismissed to Maryland Classis, Synod of the Potomac. We recommend that the request be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

SHUFORD PEELER,
G. E. PLOTT,
J. WILEY COOK.

ARTICLE XII.

DELEGATES TO SYNOD.

All ministers and the elder from each pastoral charge constitute the delegates to the Synod of the Potomac, which meets in general convention.

ARTICLE XIII.

MINUTES OF POTOMAC SYNOD.

The following is the report of the Committee on the Minutes of Potomac Synod, which was adopted:

The Committee on the Minutes of Potomac Synod submit the following report:

We have the Minutes of the 48th annual sessions, held in Centenary Reformed Church, Winchester, Va., October 25-29, 1920.

Item 1. Attendance at Synod. Pages 5 and 6.

The following members of Classis were present: Ministers—Wm. H. McNairy, Walter W. Rowe, Lee A. Peeler, A. Samuel Peeler, Columbus C. Wagoner, William C. Lyerly, Harvey A. Fesperman, Abram D. Wolfinger, Roy E. Leinbach, S. Arthur Troxell; Elders—John A. Safrit, J. Tilden Hedrick, Adolphus A. Blackwelder. Elder John W. Hedrick was recognized as an advisory member.

Item 2. Apportionment. Pages 16 and 99.

Synod accepts the apportionment of General Synod and recommends to the Classes to pay annually per communicant member:

a. For Foreign Missions	$0.80
b. For Home Missions	0.80
c. Ministerial Relief	0.15
d. Publication and Sunday School Work	0.10
e. General Synod Contingent	0.05

Synod apportions to this Classis the following amounts:

a. Historical Fund	$ 13 00
b. Potomac Synod Contingent	170 00
c. Beneficiary Education	1279 00
d. Ministerial Sustentation	
e. Theological Seminary	702 00

Item 3. The Forward Movement. Pages 16 and 103.

Synod rejoiced in having the Forward Movement. It recognized that while much has been done, there is still much to do to make the Forward Movement a success.

a. Synod calls attention of Classes to keep Forward Movement funds intact.

b. Synod urges congregations that have not subscribed their full quotas to continue the work.

c. Synod through the Classes recommends to pastors and congregations the Forward Movement program.

d. Synod through the Classes requests pastors to recruit for Life Service and stress Stewardship of Possessions.

Item 4. Action of Elders' Conference. Page 22.

The Elders' Conference recommends a salary of $1500.00 and parsonage as a minimum salary.

Item 5. Historical Society. Page 26.

The Historical Society urges judicatories and members to place in the archives of the society material of historical value.

Item 6. Educational Institutions. Page 58.

The several educational institutions of the Church are making commendable progress and received the hearty endorsement of the Synod.

The work at Catawba College was recognized.

a. The Church at large is challenged to secure adequate financial support.

b. The Catawba League is heartily recommended.

Item 7. Board of Education. Page 69.

The Board of Education is assisting 33 students for the ministry.

a. Classes are requested to exercise careful supervision over their recommendations to the Board.

b. Liberal offerings are needed to assist worthy students.

Item 8. Home Missions. Page 72.

The Home Mission work in all its departments was endorsed by the Synod. Its plan to work by Commissions was approved.

Synod calls attention of Classes to

a. The observance of Home Mission Day in November.

b. The expansion of work among immigrants.

Item 9. Foreign Missions. Page 77.

Synod expressed her gratitude to the Board and the missionaries for faithfulness in labor.

Synod calls attention of Classes to

a. The observance of Foreign Mission Day in February.

b. The distribution of literature and the use of other educational material furnished by the Board.

Item 10. Missionary and Stewardship. Page 79.

Classes are requested to hold special meetings in the autumn to consider the challenge of the apportionment.

Item 11. Publication and Sunday Schools. Pages 84, 85.

Synod recommends to the Classes

a. That through the Classes, pastors and churches buy their supplies from the Board.

b. Through the Classes the new Hymnal of the Reformed Church is recommended.

c. Church Paper Day is the first Sunday in December.

d. Classes are requested to appoint a Standing Committee on Religious Literature.

e. Through the Classes every local congregation is challenged to unite in the work as planned by the Educational Department.

f. The Classical Sunday School Committee is requested to secure more accurate statistics.

g. The advancement of Sunday School work is to be inaugurated in all churches in the Classes.

Item 12. Benevolent Institutions. Pages 93 and 94.

The Board of Ministerial Relief and the Society for the Relief of Ministers are merged into the Board of Ministerial Relief with Dr. J. W. Meminger as Secretary.

a. Classis is requested to appoint an Informant to the Board.

b. Ministers of Classis are requested to enroll in the Sustentation Department.

The Board of Sustentation through action of Synod makes $1000.00 and parsonage the minimum salary.

The Orphans' Homes reported that much progress had been made during the year. Financial conditions were reported good.

Nazareth Orphans' Home is commended to the liberality of the Church.

Item 13. Young People's Society. Pages 84 and 100.

A Young People's Department has been established by the Publication and Sunday School Board.

Synod urges through the Classes

a. The observance of Young People's Day the second Sunday in October and an offering for the Department on that day.

b. Prompt answer to inquiries and communications.

Item 14. Trustees of Catawba College. Page 107.

Synod nominated for Trustees of Catawba College: John W. Peeler, D. M. Carpenter, Rev. A. S. Weber, D. D., Rev. F. A. Rupley, D. D., Dr. Clarence Clapp, C. M. Rowe.

Item 15. Next Annual Meeting of Synod. Page 106.

The 49th annual meeting of the Synod of the Potomac will convene in St. John's Reformed Church, Bedford, Pa., October 24, 1921, at 8 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. LYERLY,
A. S. PEELER,
J. F. HERMAN.

The apportionment of ten cents for the Publication and Sunday School Board was referred to the Sunday Schools of Classis. The Finance Committee was given discretionary power as to making full apportionment of General Synod Contingent this year. It was ordered that the item of Ministerial Sustentaton be placed in the Contingent Fund. The Permanent Committee on Sunday Schools was made the Committee on Religious Literature.

ARTICLE XIV.

MISSIONS.

The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Missions beg leave to make the following report:

The following papers have come into our hands:

1. Annual Statement of the Board of Home Missions.
2. Annual Statement of the Board of Foreign Missions, together with the 14th Triennial Report.
3. Request from Catawba Charge for sustentation to the amount of $300.00 without conditions.
4. Request from Rockwell Charge for sustentation to the amount of $300.00.

On the basis of facts contained in these reports we offer the following recommendations:

1. We rejoice in the fact that the financial report of the Board of Home Missions is the best for a number of years past..

2. We note with pleasure that there is an increase of eighty-six Church-building Funds during the past year.

3. We urge that the Outlook of Missions be given larger support in our Classis.

4. We recommend that Home Mission Day be observed in the Classis on the second Sunday in November.

5. We note with sorrow the death of three of our foreign missionaries in Japan and China: Mrs. Snyder and Rev. Reimert in China and Miss Vornholt of Japan, and extend to the bereaved families our deepest sympathy and pledge ourselves to the continuation of the noble work to which they have given their lives.

6. We rejoice that eleven new missionaries have gone out the past year to the foreign field.

7. We recommend that Foreign Mission Day be observed February 12, 1922.

8. We rejoice that such large amounts have been received by the Treasurers of the Home and Foreign Boards from the Forward Movement.

9. We note that amidst the stress and strain of the past year on the foreign field there comes a hopeful note of evangelistic success and a real feeling after God. We request that the Classis daily remember the missionaries in prayer and bespeak for them and their work a larger financial support.

10. That $100 be paid as sustentation to Catawba Charge by Classis and that Classis make an effort to secure $200 from Potomac Synod. In case the $200 is not secured from Potomac Synod, Classis pay the whole amount.

11. We recommend that $300.00 sustentation be granted the Rockwell Charge as per their request.

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. FESPERMAN,
J. H. KELLER,
J. T. HEDRICK.

ARTICLE XV.

NOMINATIONS.

The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee would make the following nominations:

1. Missionary and Stewardship Committee, Central District: Rev. L. A. Peeler, 3 years; auxiliary, Rev. W. C. Lyerly and Elder G. C. Fisher. Western District: Rev. J. A. Ditzler, 2 years; auxiliary, Elders A. A. Blackwelder and J. W. Warlick. Eastern District: Elder J. T. Plott, 1 year; auxiliary, Rev. G. E. Plott and Elder Edgar Whitener.

2. Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home—Elders J. T. Hedrick, J. W. Peeler, L. M. Peeler.

3. Treasurer of Classis—Rev. D. E. Bowers.

4. Mrs. Rebecca Solliday Church-building Fund — Elder J. B. Leonard.

Respectfully submitted,

S. J. KIRK,
W. H. McNAIRY,
O. M. ROCKETT.

ARTICLE XVI.

RELIGION AND STATISTICS.

The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

The parochial reports which came into our hands have been carefully examined and the statistics tabulated in regular form.

The spirit of continued acknowledgment of a superintending Providence in granting health and uninterrupted activity to the ministry of the Classis pervades the reports. The following items culled from the reports deserve special notice:

The plan is under way to build a new church at Hedrick's Grove; Beulah Congregation is erecting its structure now; Kannapolis laid the cornerstone of its new building January 30, 1921, the same to be completed in the current year; Concord is in line for a new church building, and Waughtown must have its Sunday School room enlarged; Greensboro is also discussing a new Sunday School build

ing; Faith Congregation is in the midst of erecting its new church; Hickory has extended plans for remodeling its Sunday School equipment. The Second Church, Lexington, has been remodeled and beautified during the year.

The parsonage at Kannapolis was completed during the year and by appropriate services was set apart to its intended use.

New Hymnals have been placed in a number of the churches.

The Reformed Church Messenger is taken by every home in Schlatter Memorial Church; a Teacher Training Class has been formed in the Hickory Sunday School; First Church, Lexington, celebrated its 20th anniversary; a new pipe organ is ready to be installed at Charlotte; Zion-Landis Charge continues its support of Missionary Fesperman; the same is being done by Hickory in the support of Missionary Whitener. Lincolnton has the distinction of having raised $32 per member.

We note the death of Alexander T. Delap, elder in the First Church, Lexington, and the death of James A. Tussey, Superintendent of Beck's Sunday School; Elder Lawson Foil, of Mt. Pleasant, and Elder Daniel Moose, of Bear Creek. The Rev. Garver E. Williams, D. D., was called from his labors to his reward during the year. Fifty-eight are reported in the column with those numbered with the dead.

These facts indicate the spirit of progress in the material equipment of church facilities; the development of efficient laborers; the deepening of spiritual life; the continued emphasis placed upon the church as the body of Christ, the divine agency for the redemption of the race. The propagation of the gospel in distant lands receives real attention by the churches and the cause of Christian education and the orphanage are both objects of benevolent consideration on the part of the ministry and an evident purpose on the part of the laity to whole-hearted co-operation.

We are reminded of the inevitable transition from this sphere of activity and the certainty that the works of men do follow them.

Under this sense may the sovereign spirit of our Lord carry us forward over every difficulty to the glory of our Father.

Respectfully submitted,

C. C WAGONER,
A. D. WOLFINGER,
E. A. HEDRICK.

The statistics will be found in the appendix.

ARTICLE XVII.

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING.

The next annual meeting of the Classis of North Carolina will be held in St. James' Reformed Church, Mt. Pleasant, N. C., Wednesday evening, May 10, A. D. 1922, at 8 o'clock.

ARTICLE XVIII.

EDUCATION.

Report of the Trustees of Catawba College.

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

As President of the Board of Trustees of Catawba College I present the following report:

At the annual meeting of the Board in May, 1920, the following officers were elected for the current year: President, Clarence Clapp; Vice President, C. M. Rowe; Secretary and Treasurer, J. B. Leonard. The work of the year has been carried on without any interruptions. The enrollment for the year in all departments is 124, classified as follows: Seniors, 2; Juniors, 11; Sophomores, 6; Freshmen, 21. The Academy has an enrollment of 55. The graduates for the year are as follows: College, 2; Academy, 11; Music, 1; Business, 1; Expression, 1. Three states are represented and the student body well distributed throughout the state.

It will be noted by those who read the educational publications of the state that the Academy and College appear in the list of schools for the first time in a number of years. By action of the Board of Education both schools are given proper credit for Academic work done. This will have a direct bearing upon the effort to secure a larger student body.

A clear statement should go out concerning the Forward Movement. It is now well understood that Catawba College on the 10th of last December was placed on the list by the Forward Movement as having a just claim for $325,000, the Commission assuming responsibility to meet it. This amount is promptly paid into the treasury as the pledges are paid. The need is for the raising of the entire budget which will guarantee the future life of the institution. It should be noted that the institution will receve but a small amount from this for the next few years to be used for current expenses. However critical periods have come and gone in the life of the

College, there can be no doubt that the next two years require the utmost loyalty on the part of the Church in North Carolina in order to assure such a work as must be carried on.

It will not be possible to curtail expenses, or carry on the work on a less amount than expended this year, but on the contrary new financial obligations must be assumed as a part of the budget for the year. The work calls for an additional instructor in the Science Department; certain equipment in the laboratories and the strengthening of the work in the Academy.

It is impossible to stand still. The progress that has been made toward a greater Catawba must be continued. The source from which the financial obligations were to be met is in the plan of the Catawba College League. If the action of Classis of last year in raising 800 pledges would have been carried out we could have paid all bills as incurred in the year. Up to May 1, 267 pledges have been made. Forty-nine (49) of these came from without the Classis. Two hundred eighteen (218) were given by twenty-five (25) churches. The cash paid in to date is $1770.36. It is hoped that a large amount will still come in by the end of the year, May 30.

The action of citizens of Newton on a Science Building has been held in obeyance caused by the general business depression. It is hoped as we enter upon a period of renewed business activity an early effort will be made to carry the action into effect.

Grateful reference should be made to the contribution of a valuable collection of books by Dr. A. S. Weber. The collection includes two hundred and seventy-six (276) volumes, many of which will remain standard reference books and all of which are of greatest service.

Rev. J. C. Gekeler also remembered us with a set of bound copies of the "Independent" covering fifteen years; "Reformed Church Reviews" and other reference books, by all of which we are helped on the way to better library equipment.

We would invite co-operation in the effort for necessary equipment.

The Academic work of the institution has been carried on by the President and the faculty in a manner commendatory and expressive of real devotion to the highest interests of the institution.

We appeal to this body for continued support both in students and money.

CLARENCE CLAPP,
President Board of Trustees.

Report of Treasurer of Catawba College, May 19, 1920, to May 20, 1921.

Receipts.

To cash	on hand general fund, May 19, 1920	$ 257	59
"	General sources	1575	96
"	Loans	2500	00
"	Interest	2003	35
"	North Carolina Classis	1446	49
"	Book account	1458	19
"	College bills	14396	59
"	Catawba College League	2469	36
"	Association Colleges and Schools	19	88
"	Forward Movement loan	2390	00
"	Rent, 1920	200	00
"	Rent, 1921	200	00
"	Southern Railway	32	00
"	Fuel account	72	00
		$29,021	41

Disbursements.

By cash	Southern Railway	$ 32	00
"	Interest and revenue	622	94
"	Insurance	47	25
"	Canvassing and traveling expense	163	42
"	Advertising and printing	525	42
"	Provisions	2193	42
"	Freight, express and drayage	156	29
"	Labor	2406	41
"	Supplies and equipment	1560	66
"	Water and light	226	76
"	Postage and telegrams	95	62
"	Book account	1426	23
"	Telephone	94	10
"	Fuel	2724	46
"	Building and loan Interest, 162 24 Dues, 351 00	513	24
"	Salaries, 1919-1920	1769	60
"	Salaries, 1920-1921	12397	14
"	Laundry	30	70
"	General Fund to Library Account	9	90
"	All other bills	122	71
"	Cash on hand	1903	14
		$29,021	41

Library Fund and Account.

Receipts—

Cash on hand May 19, 1920	$ 35 53
To cash, interest and gift	116 87
" General Fund	9 90
	$162 30

Disbursements—

By cash, library equipment	$160 92
Cash on hand	1 38
	$162 30

Library Fund	$1500 00	
First mortgage 6 per cent. notes		$1000 00
Liberty Bonds		500 00
	$1500 00	$1500 00

G. J. Solliday Fund.

To cash, J. B. Leonard	$ 92 20	
" Interest	711 93	
By cash, theological students		$ 725 00
Cash on hand		79 13
	$ 804 13	$ 804 13

G. J. Solliday Fund	$20000 00	
Notes Catawba College		$10937 50
1st mort. real estate 6 per cent. notes		9062 50
	$20000 00	$20000 00

Forward Movement Fund.

Paid by F. E. Yount	$ 100 00
As per H. E. Paisley receipts	7225 00
By check, J. S. Wise	3335 10
By Liberty Bonds, J. S. Wise	2300 00
	$12,960 10

Disbursements—

First mortgage real estate 6 per cent. notes		$ 5110 00
Loans, Catawba College		2390 00
Liberty Bond		3750 00
War Saving Stamps		45 00
Cash on hand		1665 10
		$12,960 10
Alumni Fund	$10064 13	
Miles S. Smyre Gift	1000 00	
	$11064 13	

Invested as follows:

American Yarn and Processing Co., 6 per cent. bonds	$ 6000 00
Notes, Catawba College	600 00
First mortgage real estate 6 per cent. notes	4464 13
	$11064 13

General Endowment Fund	$17000 00	
Notes, Catawba College		$ 3375 50
1st mort. real estate 6 per cent. notes		13624 50
		$17000 00

Emanuel Pontius, President Home Bldg. Fund	$ 757 86	
Invested as follows:		
First mortgage real estate 6 per cent. notes		$ 733 00
Cash on hand		24 86
		$ 757 86

Rebecca Soliday Church-building Fund	$3195 63	
Loans, 2 per cent		3050 00
Cash on hand		145 63
		$ 3195 63

One bond of the town of Newton, N. C.	$500 00
Liberty Bonds	400 00

11 shares of stock in Union Cotton Mills, Maiden, N. C.

Summary.

Alumni Endowment	$11,064 13
General Endowment	17,000 00
Library Fund	1,500 00
Forward Movement Endowment	12,960 10
G. J. Solliday Fund	20,000 00
Emanuel Pontius, Pres. Home Bldg. Fund	757 86
Rebecca Solliday Church-building Fund	3195 63
One bond of the town of Newton, N. C.	500 00
Liberty Bonds	400 00

11 shares of stock in Union Cotton Mills, Maiden, N. C.

CLARENCE CLAPP, Treasurer.

The following report of the Committee on Education was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Education beg leave to report that the report of the Board of Education of the Potomac Synod came into our hands and also the report of the Trustees of Catawba College.

From the report of the Board of Education we learn that aid to the amount of $8000 was given to thirty-two ministerial students during the year. From North Carolina Classis five in attendance at Catawba College are each receiving $150 supplementing a stipend of $100 from the Solliday Fund.

This Board expresses its apprecination for the notable co-operation from the North Carolina Classis, and also expresses the hope that our body will see the need for the Board of Education and that there may be a large income for the next scholastic year.

From the report of the Trustees of Catawba College we learn that the work has been carried on in this institution without any interruptions; that the enrollment for the year in all departments is one hundred and twenty-four.

We note with pleasure that the Academy and College have been placed upon the list of accredited schools in North Carolina.

We also note with pleasure that out of the funds of the Forward Movement Catawba College is to receive $325,000, and that this amount is being promptly paid into the treasury as the pledges are being paid.

But it must be noted that the College will receive but a small amount from this source until the full five-year payments are made, and on account of this some provision must be made for the current expenses.

It is with deep regret that we note from this report that of the 800 League pledges assumed one year ago only 267 have been made and 49 of these came from outside the bounds of Classis.

Now we recommend:

1. That this Classis accept the amount apportioned by the Potomac Synod for Beneficiary Education, the amount being $1279, and that this amount be referred to the Committee on Finance for apportionment.

2. That this Classis lay an apportionment of 25 cents per capita for the current expenses of Catawba College, and that this be referred to the Committee on Finance for apportionment.

3. That inasmuch as very little will be realized from the income of the receipts of the Forward Movement for the current expenses for the next few years, it will be necessary for this body to make provision for such gifts as are needed to meet the deficit. We would therefore recomend that this body pledge itself to secure 800 members of the Catawba College League of $10 each during the next Classical year.

4. Realizing that this institution is the heart-throb of the Reformed Church in North Carolina we most earnestly recommend that our pastors and people send their sons and daughters here for instruction.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

J. D. ANDREW,
JOHN A. DITZLER,
GEO. C. FISHER.

ARTICLE XIX.

FINANCE.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF CLASSIS.

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

The Treasurer begs leave to submit the following report:

Receipts.

SPECIAL OBJECTS.

Near East Relief—	
Mt. Zion S. S.	$ 67 23
Mt. Zion Reformed Church	74 87
First, Landis	67 72
First S. S., Charlotte	30 60
Young Women's Bible Class, Charlotte	26 25

Hebron S. S.	5 54	
First S. S., Waughtown	11 07	
Mr. John H. Moose	5 00	
Bethel, South Fork	9 26	
Woman's Missionary Society, Pilgrim	10 00	
Burlington S. S.	44 12	
		$ 351 66

Chinese Relief—

Mr. S. R. Wagner, Lexington	$ 5 00	
St. James' Reformed Church	29 02	
Woman's Missionary Society, Pilgrim	10 00	
Pilgrim S. S.	41 65	
First S. S., Waughtown	47 50	
First S. S. Charlotte	15 50	
First, Lexington	99 02	
Mt. Zion	22 75	
		$ 270 44

Central European Relief—

First, Lexington	$ 99 03	

Foreign Missions, Special—

Zion-Landis	$703 47	
Mrs. D. L. Correll	5 00	
Hickory	439 20	
St. John's, Kannapolis, F. M. Day	10 27	
St. Paul's, Kannapolis, F. M. Day	7 00	
Burlington S. S., F. M. Day	6 50	
Concord, F. M. Day	8 50	
Mt. Zion, F. M. Day	27 00	
Charlotte, F. M. Day	13 26	
Shiloh, F. M. Day	14 01	
Greensboro, F. M. Day	29 15	
W. M. S., Landis	15 00	
Landis	12 00	
		$1291 26

Home Missions, Special—

St. Paul's, Kannapolis	$7 00	
St. John's, Kannapolis	6 00	
Mt. Zion	14 63	
Concord	11 00	
		$ 38 63

Nazareth Orphans' Home—

Second S. S., Lexington	$ 37	85
St. Paul's, Kannapolis	69	48
First, Waughtown	62	62
Bethlehem	23	01
Hebron	37	51
Ladies' Aid Society, Friedland Moravian	65	00
First S. S., Lexington	115	24
First S. S., Waughtown	56	75
Ladies' Aid Society, Waughtown	33	82
Young Ladies' S. S. Class, Waughtown	25	35
First, Charlotte	77	00
Bethel, South Fork	14	73
Mt. Zion	36	05
Zion, Emanuel Charge	12	00
Emanuel, Emanuel Charge	10	00
Grace, South Fork	32	67
Mr. H. E. Shoaf, Lexington	100	00
Mr. J. T. Hedrick, Lexington	50	00
Mt. Hope, Faith Charge	7	00
Calvary	13	00
First S. S., Charlotte	19	11
St. Paul's, South Fork	15	18
Newton	50	00
		$ 963 37

Sunday School, Special—

St. John's S. S., Kannapolis	$13	72
Grace S. S., Newton	12	43
Emanuel S. S., Lincolnton	14	02
Mt. Zion S. S., China Grove	22	52
Burlington S. S.	16	40
St. Paul's S. S., Kannapolis	12	30
St. Paul's S. S., South Fork	16	14
Mt. Hope S. S., Guilford Charge	9	00
First S. S., Charlotte	17	76
		$ 134 29

RECEIVED ON APPORTIONMENT.

	Contingent	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Potomac Synod Contingent	Catawba College	Beneficiary Education	Theological Seminary	Ministerial Relief
Balance	$1817 30	$783 80	$818 69	$59 14	$ 74 05	$109 95	$142 64	$176 60
Hickory	119 03	276 00	276 00	8 63	86 25	46 57	21 56	34 50
Guilford	67 98	6 50	6 50	3 82	38 25			
Faith	114 54	243 45	243 46	8 30	83 00	36 04	16 69	26 70
Zion-Landis	129 03	299 20	299 20	9 35	93 50	50 49	23 37	37 40
Bear Creek	138 01	223 64	223 64	10 01	100 00	23 49	10 88	17 40
South Fork	106 60	149 56	146 55	7 73	60 72	10 43	4 83	7 72
Lincoln	80 74	148 98	148 98	5 86	58 50	17 81	8 24	13 20
Newton	69 00	160 00	160 00	5 00	50 00	27 00	12 50	20 00
Gilead	62 79	145 60	145 60	4 55	45 50	24 57	11 37	18 20
Salisbury	38 30	88 80	88 80	2 78	27 75	14 98	6 94	11 10
First, Lexington	153 18	355 20	355 20	11 10	111 00	59 94	27 75	44 40
2d, Lexington	39 67	92 00	92 00	28 75	28 75	15 53	7 19	11 50
Lower Davidson	133 51	64 69	64 68	9 67	96 75			
Upper Davidson	200 11	107 75	107 74	14 50	130 00			
High Point	52 79	122 40	122 40	3 83	38 25	20 65	9 06	15 30
Thomasville	44 85	104 50	104 50	3 25	32 50	17 55	8 11	13 00
Emanuel	134 54	5 07		9 74	37 51			
Concord	38 99	90 40	90 40	2 83	28 25	15 25	7 06	11 30
Greensboro	43 13	100 00	100 00	3 13	31 25	16 88	7 82	12 50
Burlington	50 03	116 00	116 00	3 63	36 25	19 57	9 06	14 50
Lenoir	21 05	48 80	48 80	1 53	15 25	8 24	3 80	6 10
Brookford	20 01	9 15	9 15	1 45	14 50			
Catawba	67 28	120 51	120 50	4 88	48 75	14 04	6 50	10 40
Waughtown	82 11	94 72	80 00	5 95	25 00	13 50	6 25	10 00
Rockwell	75 90	145 50	145 50	5 50	55 00	22 95	10 62	17 00
Lincolnton	24 49	56 80	56 80	17 75	17 75	9 58	4 44	7 10
Winston-Salem	17 25	40 00	40 00	1 25	12 50	6 75	3 12	5 00
Charlotte	24 15	56 00	56 00	1 75	17 50	9 45	4 38	7 00
Kannapolis	35 19	81 68	81 68	2 55	25 50	13 77	6 37	10 20
Mt. Bethel								
Arrearages								
Brick Church	29 04			1 76	3 28			
Interest	52 00							
Loan	400 00							
Total	4482 60	4336 20	4358 27	218 12	1523 06	624 98	380 55	558 12

Balance in General Synod Contingent Fund, $31.14.

Disbursements.

Contingent—

Minutes of Classis	$ 293	92
Business Manager of Standard	25	00
Editor of Standard	25	00
Stewardship Committee Expenses	1	50
Stated Clerk, Salary and Expenses	68	82
Treasurer, Salary and Expenses	32	34
Expenses of Meetings of Classis	35	77
Rev. W. W. Rowe, Ex. to General Synod	13	60
Rev. L. A. Peeler, Ex. to General Synod	12	41
Rev. A. S. Peeler, Ex. to General Synod	12	93
Dr. J. C. Leonard, Ex. to General Synod	12	36
Elder Edgar Whitener, Ex. to General Synod	13	15
Rev. O. H. Sensenig, Sustentation	300	00
For Publication of Standard	700	00
Deficit of Classical S. S. Mission	103	51
Notes of Classis	1200	00
Interest	113	50
Expense of Executive Committee	12	35
Sustentation	98	00
Ex. of Com. of Supply, Guilford Charge	22	40
Ex. Com. of Supply, Bethel, High Point	9	00
High Point, use of Church	10	00
Postage, Minutes of Potomac Synod	12	21
		$3127 77

Beneficiary Education—

Rev. F. A. Rupley, Treasurer	$ 551	01

Foreign Missions—

Rev. Dr. A. R. Bartholomew, Sec	$3862	18

Foreign Missions, Special—

Rev. Dr. A. R. Bartholomew, Sec	$1291	26

Foreign Missions, Special—

J. S. Wise, Treas	$3847	17

Home Missions, Special—

J. S. Wise, Treas	$ 38	63

Catawba College—

J. B. Leonard, Treas	$ 772	52
Clarence Clapp, Treas	475	63
		$1248 15

Ministerial Relief—
Rev. E. L. McLean, Treas.....$ 511 04

Theological Seminary—
J. Travers Thomas, Treas.....$ 346 81

Potomac Synod Contingent—
J. Travers Thomas, Treas.....$ 162 00

Near East Relief—
J. S. Wise, Treas.....$ 155 78
Literary Digest..... 21 00
Rev. Dr. A. R. Bartholomew, Sec..... 174 88
————$ 351 66

Chinese Relief—
Rev. Dr. A. R. Bartholomew, Sec.....$ 270 44

Central European Relief—
Rev. Dr. A. R. Bartholomew, Sec.....$ 99 03

Nazareth Orphans' Home—
George H. Moose, Treas.....$ 963 37

Sunday School, Special—
C. O. Althouse, Treas.....$ 134 29

Summary of Receipts and Disbursements.

	Received	Paid Out	Bal. in Treas.
Contingent	$4482 60	$3127 77	$1354 83
Home Missions	4336 20	3847 17	489 03
Home Missions, Special	38 63	38 63	
Foreign Missions, Special	1291 26	1291 26	
Foreign Missions	4358 27	3862 18	496 09
Potomac Synod Contingent	218 12	162 00	56 12
General Synod Contingent	31 14		31 14
Catawba College	1523 06	1248 15	274 91
Beneficiary Education	624 98	551 01	73 97
Theological Seminary	380 55	346 81	33 74
Ministerial Relief	558 12	511 04	47 08
Nazareth Orphans' Home	963 37	963 37	
Sunday School, Special	134 29	134 29	
Near East Relief	351 66	351 66	
Central European Relief	99 03	99 03	
Chinese Relief	270 44	270 44	

Indebtedness of Classis.

Winston-Salem	$ 500 00	
Landis	1000 00	
Charlotte	2350 00	
		$3850 00

Interest Due Classis.

Winston-Salem	$ 35 00	
Charlotte	17 50	
Landis	120 00	
		$ 172 50

Note—Amount in Sustentation Fund, $506.00; paid out, $300.00; balance in Fund, $206.

Note—Amount in Church-building Fund last report, $210; received, $686.50; total, $896.50; paid out, $800.00; balance, $96.50.

Arrearages.

Contingent—

St. Mark's, $8.95; Fairview, $3.45; Brick, $29.67; Mt. Bethel, $1.38.

Potomac Synod Contingent—

St. Mark's, $1.75; Fairview, $0.25; Brick, $2.15; Mt. Bethel, $0.10.

Arrearages, 1919-20.

Contingent—

Fairview, $3.96; Bethany, Rockwell, $0.74; Mt. Bethel, $1.98.

Potomac Synod Contingent—

Fairview, $0.24; Bethany, Rockwell, $1.56; Mt. Bethel, $0.12.

Arrearages, 1918-19.

Contingent—

St. Mark's, $7.50; Fairview, $9.84; Bethany, Rockwell, $6.98; Bethel, High Point, $11.48; Mt. Bethel, $2.46.

Potomac Synod Contingent—

St. Mark's, $2.81; Fairview, $0.54; Bethany, Rockwell, $1.75; Bethel, High Point, $1.12; Mt. Bethel, $0.24.

Respectfully submitted,

D. E. BOWERS, Treasurer.

The Committee on Finance made the following report, which was adopted:

To the North Carolina Classis:

We, your Finance Committee, have examined the Treasurer's report and find it correct.

We recommend the following apportionments:

Contingent	37½	cents	per	member
Potomac Synod Contingent	2½	"	"	"
Beneficiary Education	19	"	"	"
General Synod Contingent	2	"	"	"
Theological Seminary	10½	"	"	"
Home Missions	80	"	"	"
Foreign Missions	80	"	"	"
Catawba College	25	"	"	"
Ministerial Relief	15	"	"	"

Respectfully submitted,

D. E. BOWERS,
J. H. KELLER,
W. C. ROSE.

ARTICLE XX.

MINUTES OF GENERAL SYNOD.

The following report was received and adopted with the exception noted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Dear Fathers and Brethren:—Your Committee on Minutes of General Synod beg leave to report that we have carefully examined the Minutes of the triennial session held in Reading, Pa., May 19-26, 1920, and as a result we make the following report for your consideration:

1. Page 9. a. Delegates to General Synod: Revs. Abram D. Wolfinger, Jacob C. Leonard, Walter W. Rowe, A. Samuel Peeler, Lee A. Peeler, Elders John T. Plott, Edgar Whitener, Charles C. Bost.

b. Page 12. Advisory Members: Rev. W. C. Lyerly and Elder J. T. Hedrick.

2. Pages 27-32. The Plan of Union adopted by the American Council on Organic Union of Churches of Christ is sent down to Classis for approval or rejection.

3. Page 37. A request that a Committee on Temperance be appointed to co-operate with the Commission of General Synod. Through Classis the financial support of the Commission is commended to congregations, Sunday Schools and individuals.

4. Page 38. Through Classis every pastor is urged to preach a sermon annually on "The Relation of the Members of the Church to the Public Schools," and that a day of prayer be appointed in which the public schools be made the subject of intercession.

5. Page 61. a. General Synod recommends that each Classis hold at least once a year a special meeting to discuss the report of the Classical Missionary and Stewardship Committee.

b. The appointment of a congregational Missionary and Stewardship Committee is urged.

c. Congregations, through Classis, are requested to keep separately the funds of Benevolent apportionments from those of the Forward Movement, and that at least the minimum share of benevolent obligations be met.

6. Page 65. The Executive Committee of Classis is constituted the Permanent Committee on Vacancy and Supply.

7. Page 131. a. On the recommendation of the Council of Reformed Churches, General Synod, through Classis, calls the attention of pastors and consistories to the importance of increasing the endowments of our Christian Colleges.

b. The attention of ministers and consistories is called to the marked tendency toward much closer co-operation among the Churches of the Presbyterian type.

8. Page 139. The appointment of local committees on International Friendship in Churches, Sunday Schools ond Young People's Societies is recommended.

9. Page 195. Home Missions: The following items, through Classis, are to receive due consideration by pastors and congregations: a. Evangelism. b. Home Mission Day. c. Home Mision Literature. d. Organization of Woman's Missonary Societies. e. Christianizing of the Social Order. f. The apportonment should be considered the minimum. g. Effort should be put forth to stem the exodus of men from the ministry into purely business occupations, and that young men should be sought out for the gospel ministry.

10. Page 215. Ministerial Relief: a. 15 cents a member is apportioned for this cause, and also a day in each congregation be set apart for the presentation of this subject. b. An Informant is to be ap-

pointed for Classis. c. The blessing of bequests, for the work of the Board, is to be kept before the people. d. Ministers, consistories and congregations are to consider the inducements offered by the Board until 1922. e. Consistories should consider this an opportunity to supplement the support of their pastor. f. Ample funds should be provided so that both Relief and Sustentation may be carried forward.

11. Page 248. Publication and Sunday Schools: The following items, through Classis, are to receive the attention of congregations and Sunday Schools: a. A campaign in the interest of Home Religion. b. Systematic campaign for increased membership in the Sunday School. c. The importance of Teacher Training Classes, Sunday School Institutes, Conferences and School of Methods. d. All religious literature, church and Sunday School supplies should be purchased from the Publication Board. e. The first Sunday of December is Church Paper Day. The pastor and consistory of every congregation are asked to appoint a Committee on Good Literature.

12. Pages 321-322. Foreign Missions: The needs of the Foreign Mission work under the Board are as follows:

a. Recruits: The need of work and prayer is asked that men and women may be found for this great work. b. Organization of Mission Study Classes, attendance at Missionary Conferences, increasing the number of readers of "Outlook of Missions," observing Foreign Mission Day, the second Sunday of February, organizing Classical and congregational Women's Missionary Societies. c. Apportionment for Foreign Missions is the minimum. Also the fact should be stressed that the payment of the full apportonment will not meet the needs and that this should be supplemented by special gifts.

13. Page 330. The Orphans' Homes of the Church are commended to the congregations for liberal gifts.

14. Page 332. The second Sunday in October is set apart as Young People's Day, at which time an offering should be made for the support of this department. The statistics should be carefully summarized by the Standing Committee of Classis.

15. Page 334. As a matter of information Classis should note that it is required by Article 60 of the Constitution that a minister be appointed on every committee.

16. Page 343. The following amounts are sent down per communicant member:

Home Missions	80c.
Foreign Missions	80c.
Ministerial Relief	15c.
Publication and Sunday Schools	10c.
Contingent	05c.

17. Pages 70, 348, 349. The following amendments are sent down to Classis for approval:

a. The following paragraph is recomended to be added to Article 21 of the Constitution:

"If a minister, with the consent of his Classis, devotes himself to a secular calling, he shall deposit his certificate of licensure with the Stated Clerk of his Classis. His name on the roll of Classis shall be marked "Inactive," and he shall be required, annually, in his report to Classis, to renew his request for continuance in his secular calling. In the absence of such a request, Classis, at the expiration of two years, shall officially declare that the withdrawal from the ministry is permanent, and shall thereupon erase the name of the inactive minister from its roll."

b. It is recomended that the following be added to Article 23 of the Constitution:

"A minister who has retired from the active duties of the ministry, either on account of age or infirmity, may, at his discretion, surrender his right to a vote in his Classis, and transfer his membership in the Reformed Church from the roll of the Classis to the roll of a congregation. He shall be received into the fellowship of a congregation by a certificate of dismission issued by his Classis. He shall thereupon become subject to all the duties and privileges of church membership as defined in this Constitution, except that the transfer of his name to the roll of a congregation shall not annul his right to perform ministerial acts within the restrictions specified in Article 20 of this Constitution."

c. It is recommended that the first sentence of Article 115 be amended by inserting after the word "Homes," the words "Of Christian Education."

d. That Article 112 of the Constitution be amended as follows:

"The word "biennially' shall be substituted for the word 'triennially' so that the opening sentence shall read as follows: 'The General Synod shall meet biennially at the time and place appointed.' Furthermore that corresponding changes be made in the Constitution wherever required."

e. That Article 67 of the Constitution be amended as follows:

"Within ninety days after the annual meeting of the Classes, the Consistory or Joint Consistory shall meet and act upon all matters referred to it by Classis, and immediately thereafter said action shall be referred to the Stated Clerk of Classis."

18. Page 352. Delegate elders at the next meeting of Classes are asked to see to it that every pastor, as far as possible, receive a salary sufficient to provide for his temporal needs. Elders and other laymen are asked to identify themselves with the Laymen's Missionary Movement.

19. Page 39. The new Hymnal of the Reformed Church, approved by more than two-thirds of the Classes, is declared officially adopted.

20. Page 327. It is with pleasure that we note the election of Rev. J. C. Leonard, D. D., as a member of the Board of Home Missions.

21. Page 362. General Synod will meet in 21st triennial sessions at Hickory, N. C., in Corinth Reformed Church, at 8.00 p. m., Wednesday, May 23, A. D. 1923.

Respectfully submitted,
W. W. ROWE,
L. A. PEELER,
EDGAR WHITENER.

Item 2 of this report was referred to the following special committee: Revs. W. W. Rowe, J. A. Ditzler and Elder Edgar Whitener. At a subsequent session the following report was received and adopted:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee to whom was referred the "Plan of Union Adopted by the American Council on Organic Union of Churches of Christ" beg leave to report that in view of the fact that in this porposed

plan "each constituent Church reserves the right to retain its creedal statements, its form of government in the conduct of its own affairs, and its particular mode of worship," and wheras the "Plan of Union" proposed refers to the "Desire of Christ's followers to share as a common heritage the faith of the Christian Church, which has, from time to time, found expression in great historic statements," we recommend the following:

Resolved, That the Classis of North Carolina gives its approval to the "Plan of Union" as being a very hopeful and practical step towards the reunion of Protestantism.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. ROWE,
JOHN A. DITZLER,
EDGAR WHITENER.

Under Item 3 the following were appointed the Temperance Committe: Revs. J. A. Koons, S. J. Kirk, Elder G. C. Fisher.

Under Item 6 the Executive Committee of Classis was appointed the Committee on Vacancy and Supply.

In Item 17 the amendment to Article 21 of the Constitution was not approved. The other amendments were approved.

ARTICLE XXI.

BENEVOLENT INSTITUTIONS.

Report of the Board of Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home.

The Board of Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home offer the following report:

From the Superintendent's report we find that duri ng the past year the health of the children has been good, and only in one case was it necessary to call in the physician. There have been 48 children in the Home during the year, and there are now 42; the rest have been discharged.

School has been maintained for eight months, and the children have been advanced in their books to a satisfactory extent. Religious education, catechization and other instruction have been given and two of the children have been confirmed in Bethany Church this spring.

The Concert Class did not give as many concerts as it could have done, since the opportunity did not come. It is now making dates, and stands ready to do so wherever opportunity offers. We trust that the churches may open for it.

The fourteenth anniversary was observed, though interrupted by rain, but after a second effort, proved the most succesful yet, resulting in $2000 to the Home. The fifteenth anniversary will be held on the first Thursday of August, when we trust more than ever will come and greater interest in every way will be shown by the Church.

The Board joins the request of the Rockwell and Faith Charges in asking Classis to recommend to pastors and charges to assist, by supplying material or money to purchase material, so that the net results may be larger.

The results from the farm have not been large, owing to drought and conditions over which we had no control. Contributions in the way of supplies have come estimated worth nearly $2000.

Among the needs of the Home stands first in importance the Girls' Building. We hope that in the near future the way may open for raising funds for this building.

The terms of office as Managers of the following expire at this meeting, and it will be your duty to name their successors: J. T. Hedrick, L. M. Peeler and J. W. Peeler.

The Treasurer's report shows gratifying results, and may be summarized as follows:

Balance from last report	$ 1,284
Receipts during the year	13,877
Total	$15,161
Disbursements	$14,060
Leaving a balance of	1,101
The Treasurer's report shows as endowment in invested funds and notes a total of	$16,300
Real Estate	9,500
	$25,800

The present indebtedness of the Home is $1200.

May we not ask for the continued and enlarged support of the entire Classis, that greater and better things may be done for the children of the Church?

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. L. LYERLY, President.

Report of Treasurer of Nazareth Orphans' Home for the Year Ending April 30, 1921.

Balance May 1, 1920	$ 1,284 58
Receipts for year	13,876 74
Total	$15,161 32

Disbursements.

Supplies	$ 5,865 05
Seeds	222 40
Notes and interest	2,180 36
Insurance	275 95
Salary and wages	1,438 34
Horse	100 00
Lime	204 26
Repairs, etc	238 99
Investment	2,500 00
Sundries	1,034 70
Total	$14,060 05

Endowment.

Loan and real estate	$ 500 00
Armour & Co. notes	2,000 00
Liberty Bond	500 00
Am. Yarn and Processing Co	800 00
Am. Tobacco Co. script	2,500 00
Personal note	10,000 00
Real estate, High Point	9,500 00
Total	$25,800 00
Indebtedness	$1,200 00

Respectfully submitted,
GEO. H. MOOSE, Treasurer.

The following is the report of the Committee on Benevolent Institutions, which was adopted.

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Benevolent Institutions beg leave to make the following report:

We rejoice that the first annual report since the unification of the Ministerial Relief work contains the information that increased contributions have come from the Church, and that it has been possible for a larger number of ministers and widows to be supported by the Board.

We recommend:

(a) The appointment of an Informant.

(b) That a day be set apart on which the subject of relief and sustentation be presented to our congregations.

(c) That 15 cents per member be apportioned for this worthy cause.

Our hearts are cheered in the continued prosperity of Nazareth Orphans' Home, and that under the prayerful leadership of Rev. and Mrs. Werner and their daughter, Miss Helen, the children are receiving an intellectual, moral and spiritual training.

The Rockwell and Faith Charges have furnished a dinner to be sold to the public on Anniversary Day, the entire proceeds of which are given to the Home. With the increased attendance on this occasion these charges find themselves unable to meet the demand.

Therefore we recommnd that the charges throughout the Classis be urged to assist in contributing either money or raw material for this purpose.

We recommend that during the year the cause of the Home be presented to each congregation, either by the Concert Class or some representative of the institution.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. KOONS,
D. C. COX,
T. A. SWING.

ARTICLE XXII.

EXAMINATION AND LICENSURE.

The committee on this subject presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis:

Dear Fathers and Brethren:—Your Committee on Examination and Licensure beg to report that no one has been referred to us for examination.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. SHUFORD,
E. D. FOX.

ARTICLE XXIII.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Young People's Societies beg to report that the year 1920-21 has been a banner year. From an examination of the statistical reports the committee has learned that there has been a substantial increase in membership and contributions. 514 young people are now enrolled in the various societies, while during the year $571 was contributed by the young people for benevolent and congregational purposes. In view of this splendid showing the committee recommends:

1. That Classis do its utmost to organize Young People's Societies in all the fields which are without them.

2. That it renew its efforts to interest larger numbers of our young people in the annual Summer Missionary Conference.

3. That all of our societies be urged to co-operate with the Department of Young People's Work created by General Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

R. E. LEINBACH,
J. A. PALMER,
C. C. LEONARD.

The statistics will be found in the appendix.

ARTICLE XXIV.

NECROLOGY.

The following report was received and adopted:

To the North Carolina Classis:

Your Committee on Necrology beg leave to report that during the past year one member has been called to his reward, Rev. E. Garver Williams, D. D., who died at Tabor, N. C., August 23, 1920, at the age of 75 years. He was born at Jefferson, York county, Pa., and was educated in York County Academy, graduated at Ursinus College in 1875 and in theology in 1877. He received the degree of Doctor of Divinity in 1897.

Dr. Williams served 35 years in the ministry. His last regular work was at Mt. Pleasant, N. C., and then he was Superintendent of Nazareth Orphans' Home at Crescent.

May God comfort the hearts of his wife and children, and may all bereaved hearts by faith in Christ look through the shadow and gloom to the brightness of the eternal day.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. KELLER,
S. A. TROXELL,
D. T. PEELER.

ARTICLE XXV.

MISCELLANEOUS.

A communication from the Forward Movement Commission was referred to the following special committee: Revs. W. C. Lyerly, G. E. Plott and Elder J.T. Hedrick. The committee presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

The Committee on the Forward Movement submit the following report and recommendations:

We have studied the present status of the Forward Movement in our Classis, especially the financial report as given in the statistical tables; also the status of the Forward Movement in the whole Church as it is set forth in Bulletin No. 24. The future program is set forth in this Bulletin and the Manual Part 3 Summer Work.

There are 14 churches in Classis that have overpaid the first year payment, 10 churches have paid the first year payment, 24 churches have paid in part the first year payment and 7 churches have made no payment. One of these churches was excused for the first and second year, namely Landis. The total paid in by Classis is $34.360.00, almost the fifth of the total subscription.

We recommend that this Classis appoint a Permanent Committee on the Forward Movement, one from the Greensboro Group, two from the Davidson Group, one from the Rowan Group, one from the Cabarrus Group, one from the Catawba Group. This committee shall have power to see that funds subscribed are paid regularly to the Treasurer of the Forward Movement. The chairman of this committee shall act as Financial Director for the Classis. This committee, through pastors, shall encourage the whole program of Evangelism as it is adapted to the several churches of our Classis. This committee

through pastors and teachers shall recruit for Life Service.

The Manual Part 3, Summer Program, is recommended to pastors and congregations.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. LYERLY,
J. T. HEDRICK,
G. E. PLOTT.

The following were appointed the committee called for in the report: Rev. W. C. Lyerly, Messrs. J. B. Leonard, J. W. Peeler, H. E. Shoaf, J. T. Hedrick, J. T Plott.

The Committee on the State of the Church was instructed to secure statistics as accurate as possible from the Guilford Charge.

The Corresponding Secretary was instructed to send to the Guilford Charge a letter of kindly consideration and lovingly urge upon the members the necessity of uniting in the work of the Master, asking them to forgive us if we have done them any wrong.

Rev. Dr. J. C. Bowman, President Emeritus of the Theological Seminary, Lancaster, Pa., was invited to address Classis, which he did in the interest of the Fellowship Fund which he is raising for the institution. The following committee was appointed on this subject: Revs. G. E. Plott, L. A. Peeler and Elder J. W. Warlick. At a later session this committee presented the following report, which was adopted:-

To the North Carolina Classis:

Your committee appointed to have in charge the "Fellowship Fund of Potomac Synod" beg leave to make the following report and request:

The Classis has been divided into two sections: (1) The western part has been committed to Mr. J. W. Warlick, a member of the committee. (2) The eastern and central, to the chairman.

The ministers of the Classis are to hand, within the next ten days, the names of any person or persons in their charge who might be disposed to contribute to this fund to the one in charge of their district.

It is also asked that every minister and delegate elder give due consideration to this worthy cause.

Respectfully submitted,

G. E. PLOTT,
J. W. WARLICK.

The following resolution was adopted for the guidance of the Treasurer of Catawba College:

Resolved, That the part of the report of the Trustees of Catawba College embracing the report of the Treasurer of the institution be referred back with instructions to give in full the details of the receipts and disbursements in the general funds, the Forward Movement Funds, the Solliday Funds and other sources of income, together with itemized statement of investment of all endowment funds and the standing of our indebtedness, all in full detail down to the close of the present College year.

The following bills were referred to the Committee on Finance for apportionment: Salary and expenses of the Stated Clerk $63.34 and of the Treasurer $35.12; printing Minutes of Classis, $255.00; Church-building Fund, $700.00; General Contingent, $250.00; Reformed Church Standard, $700.00.

At the final session the following resolution of thanks was adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved, That the Classis of North Carolina wishes to record its hearty appreciation to the pastor and people of Trinity Reformed Church, Conover, and other members of the charge, for the hospitable manner in which they have entertained Classis. We have enjoyed our fine fellowship during these days, our stay in your homes and the elegant luncheons served by the good ladies of the charge at the noon hour during the sessions of Classis; that the Treasurer of Classis be instructed to pay to the Treasurer of this congregation the sum of $10.00 for the use of their church during these sessions.

The following report of the Press Committee was adopted:

Reverend Brethren:—The Press Committee beg leave to report that the work of reporting the actions of Classis was carried out daily, such reports being given to Mr. Herbert Lowry, the authorized correspondent at Newton.

Cordially yours,

A. S. PEELER,
A. R. TOSH.

The action of last year was reiterated, requesting Potomac Synod's Board of Education to take care of our students for the ministry both in Catawba College and the Seminary in the same way in which aid was extended last year.

Instructions were given that the advertisement of Catawba College in the Standard be continued free of charge, but that it be varied from time to time. The staff was given discretionary powers as to enlarging the paper and inserting advertisements.

In considering the report of the Guilford Charge the Classis went into a season of prayer in behalf of that historic charge and its important churches, the devotions being led by Revs. S. J. Kirk, J. M. L. Lyerly, Ph. D., and John C. Bowman, D. D.

Rev. A. D. Wolfinger, D. D., President of Catawba College, invited the Classis to visit this instituton. The invitation was heartly accepted, and on Thursday morning at 11 o'clock the Classis went in a body to Newton and paid a visit to this historic College. The faculty, student body and friends assembled in the auditorium with the members of Classis, where a delightful hour was spent. Addresses were delivered by Dr. John C. Bowman, of Lancaster, Pa., and by Dr. J. C. Leonard and Rev. J. C. Peeler.

Rev. H. A. Welker was excused on Thursday evening to go home, and Rev. J. H. Keller was substituted for him on the Finance Committee.

Last year's action was reiterated concerning preparation of certain items of the business docket. The salary of the Treasurer was increased to $75.00.

The elders of Classis held two meetings during the sessions, Wednesday and Thursday at the noon intermission, and discussed the subject of Ministerial Relief. They presented the following to Classis, which was adopted:

Resolved, That we are in hearty sympathy with the cause of Ministerial Relief, and that in the matter of insurance which was under discussion, we recommend this to the several consistories and urge that they take under serious consideration the matter of the congregation carrying insurance on their pastor.

ARTICLE XXVI.

RESUMPTION AND CLOSE.

The Committee on Leave of Absence presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Leave of Absence beg leave to report that the following named have been excused from one or more sessions: Revs. H. A. Welker, D. C. Cox, L. A. Peeler, A. S. Peeler, C. C. Wagoner, R. E. Leinbach, A. D. Wolfinger; Elders C. E. Ramsaur, G. A. Fisher, G. C. Fisher, R. L. Lopp, E. A. Hedrick, J. T. Hedrick, T. A. Swing, C. C. Leonard, J. W. Warlick, L. P. Wilson.

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. WELKER,
O .H. SENSENIG.

At the last session, all business having been transacted, the roll was called and the following not having been previously excused failed to answer to their names: Rev. J. A. Palmer; Elders J. W. Deal, G. D. Herman, J. F. Herman, John W. Cook, O. M. Rockett, I. T. Hedrick, Dr. A. W. Moose.

ARTICLE XXVII.

ADJOURNMENT.

The Classis adjourned finally Friday morning, May 6, at 11 o'clock, to meet in annual sessions in St. James' Reformed Church, Mt. Pleasant, North Carolina, Wednesday evening, May 10, A. D. 1922, at 8 o'clock.

J. C. PEELER, President,
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

Attest: Official copy from the original Minutes.
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

Name of Congregation	Name of Society	Name and Address of Secretary	Members		Contributions					Has F. M. Y. P. S. Program been Adopted?
			Active	Associate	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Contr. to Y. P. Dept.	Other Benevolence	To Local Ch. Ex. of Soc.	
Trinity, Concord	Y. W. M. A.	Miss Esther Fisher, Concord, N. C.	21	17	25	25		40	29	
	Mission Band	George Peck, Concord, N. C.	51	33	20	28		100	6	
	Sunshine Girls	Helen Goodman, Concord, N. C.	12					15		
	The Devoted Girls	Mrs. Ruth Ritz, Concord, N. C.	10					60		
Grace, Newton	Y. P. S. C. E.	Fred Whisenhunt, Newton, N. C.	20							
	Y. W. M. A.	Linda Trott, Newton, N. C.								
Corinth, Hickory	Y. P. S. C. E.	Margaret Holbrooks, Hickory, N. C.	40			50		10	10	
First, High Point	Y. P. S. C. E.	Mrs. R. R. Smith, High Point, N. C.	18							
First, Charlotte	Y. P. S. C. E.	Pearl Loose, Charlotte, N. C.	28	5			2		30	
First, Greensboro	Y. P. S. C. E.		25				5	6		
St. John's, Kannap's	Y. P. S. C. E.	Mrs. Florence Brown, Kannapolis, N. C.	29						10	
First, Lexington	Y. P. S. C. E.	Ava Sink, Lexington, N. C.	25		10			8	15	
Second, Lexington	Y. P. S. C. E.	Esther Hancock, Lexington, N. C.	20		11			6	53	
First, Salisbury	Y. W. M. S.	Lizzie Holshouser, Salisbury, N. C.	16	3	240				5	
First, Burlington	Y. W. M. S.	Eva Burke, Burlington, N. C.	15	5	63	22			36	
St. James', Mt. Pleas't	Y. P. S.	Ruth Barringer, Mt. Pleasant, N. C.	23							
	Mission Band	Ella Petria, Mt. Pleasant, N. C.	18					30		
Bethel, Bear Creek	Mission Band	Esther Moose, Gold Hill, N. C.	19			5		10		
Boger Bear Creek	Mission Band	Daisy Watts, Concord, N. C.	33					28		
Mt. Zion, China Grove	Y. P. M. S.	Mrs. Myrtle Cress, China Grove, N. C.	32			10		32	26	
			451	63	131	142	7	345	220	

STATISTICAL REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Name of Charge	Name of School	Name and P. O. Address of Superintendent.	Name and P. O. Address of Primary Superintendent.	MEMBERSHIP									Education						Church Relation			Contributions				
				1	Scholars						At Home											Missions				
				Officers and Teachers	2 Primary Dept. incl. Beginners	3 Junior Dept.	4 Intermediate Dept.	5 Senior Dept.	Total (This means the sum of cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)	Av. Attendance (based on cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)	6 Cradle Roll	7 Home Dept.	Total Enrollment (Add Cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7)	Books in Library	Are Reformed Lesson Helps used in School?	No. Org. Adult Classes	Teacher Training Clas.	No. Teacher Training Students Enrolled	Mission Study Classes	Scholars in full Church Membership	Scholars Baptized but not Confirmed	Scholars Confirmed During the Year	Home	Foreign	Gen. Synod's S. S. Work	Other Benevolence and Other Objects	Expenses and Support of School
Winston-Salem	Schlatter Mem.	E. A. Sink, Winston-Salem, N. C.		13	30	35	25	30	120	77	35		155		Yes					60		11				301	98
Lincolnton	Emmanuel	C. C. Leonard, Lincolnton, N. C.		10	16	5	15	21	57	33			67	20	Yes					37	16	2	18	24			45
South Fork	Bethel	G. L. Whitener, Hickory, N. C., R. 1		8	15	10	10	32	67	45			75		Yes					50	20	5		10			30
	St. Paul's	J. M. Bost, Newton, N. C.		8	20	15	15	32	103	65			111		Yes					75	20	5					45
	Grace	A. R. Anthony, Lincolnton, N. C.		8	25	15	10	52	103	60			111		No					70	15	6					40
	Daniel's	T. F. Abernethy, Reepsville, N. C.		8	10			30	40	30			48		Yes					30	8	2		18			25
Emanuel	Emanuel	R. M. Grimes, Thomasville, N. C.		15	80	40	80	50	250	130			250		No					140						25	80
	Calvary	B. B. Black, Thomasville, N. C.		10	20	25	35	40	120	65			120		No					70		8				15	25
	Zion	Z. M. Veach, Thomasville, N. C.		13	30	35	60	40	165	70			165		No					90						20	50
Burlington	First	Herbert W. Coble, Burlington, N. C.		11	21	15	66	42	154	95			154		Yes	2				85	52	32			16	58	201
Salisbury	First	G. A. Fisher, Salisbury, N. C.	Mrs. G. C. Fisher, Salisbury, N. C.	11	36	24	22	73	155	82	20	38	213	80	Yes	2				110	60		53	38	10	270	254
Brookford	Faith	O. H. Hunt, Brookford, N. C		9	50	15		25	90	55	10		100		Yes					30	25	6				30	75
Hickory	Corinth	W. R. Weaver, Hickory, N. C.	Mrs. H. C. Menzies, Hickory, N. C.	23	89	22	18	71	200	155	35		235		Yes	2	1	21		125	95	24	30	200		230	225
Kannapolis	St. John's	B. B. McCombs, Kannapolis, N. C.		9	45	19	39	24	127	97			127		Yes	2	1	4	1	68	30	15	6	10	14	20	185
	St. Paul's	Clyde Deal, Mooresville, N. C., R. 1		11	17	10	26	35	88	55			88		Yes		1	7	1	66	22	6	7	7	9		60
Lenoir	Zion	Charles W. Warlick, Lenoir, N. C.	Mrs. J. R. McNairy, Lenoir, N. C.	9	12	15	20	13	60	47	6	8	83	175	Yes					33	14	1			26	80	78
Lexington	First	J. T. Hedrick, Lexington, N. C.	Mrs. J. C. Leonard, Lexington, N. C.	15	92	112	68	151	438	246			438	370	Yes	4				300	55	26	45	119		272	246
Lexington	Second	T. A. Swing, Lexington, N. C.	Miss Esther Hancock, Lexington, N. C.	11	86	48	43	75	263	149	33		296	65	Yes	2	1	10		95	12	16	25			39	142
Bear Creek	St. James'	John L. C. Miller, Mt. Pleasant, N. C.		12	29	5	18	56	108	70			120		Yes				1	82	25	10	18	15	12	168	90

STATISTICAL REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS (Continued).

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				1	Scholars 2	3	4	5			At Home 6	7									Missions				
				Officers and Teachers	Primary Dept. incl. Beginners	Junior Dept.	Intermediate Dept.	Senior Dept.	Total (This means the sum of cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)	Av. Attendance (based on cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)	Cradle Roll	Home Dept.	Total Enrollment (Add Cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7)	Books in Library	Are Reformed Lesson Helps used in School?	No. Org. Adult Classes	Teacher Training Clas.	No. Teacher Training Students Enrolled	Mission Study Classes	Scholars in full Church Membership	Scholars Baptized but not Confirmed	Scholars Confirmed During the Year	Home	Foreign	Gen. Synod's S. S. Work	Other Benevolence and Other Objects	Expenses and Support of School
Bear Creek	Boger	B. E. Wilson, Concord, N. C.		11	33	15	26	37	111	80			122	40	Yes					78	33	17	9	7	4	144	62
	Bethel	John Rowland, Albemarle, N. C.		15	42	43	65	73	223	140			238		Yes				1	153	70	15	21	17		242	102
L. Davidson	Beck's	W. Z. Greer, Lexington, N. C.		12	30	26	14	61	142	81			142		Yes					103	46	14				42	72
	Hedrick's Grove	E. A. Beck, Lexington, N. C., R. 2		11	34	17	16	66	144	83			144		Yes					88	36						54
	Mt. Tabor	J. C. Crotts, Lexington, N. C., R. 2		11	32	28	18	46	135	80			135		Yes					83	40	11				25	43
	*Jerusalem	O. C. Hedrick, Lexington, N. C., R. 2		8	14	18		31	71	34			71		No					46	21						24
Rockwell	Ursinus	Arthur L. Rhinehardt, Rockwell, N. C.	Mrs. G. W Peeler, Rockwell, N. C.	18	33	20	17	65	173	130	8		181		Yes	4				117	64	12	45			327	155
	Bethany	Rev. W. B. Werner, Crescent, N. C.	Mrs. Lewis Safrit, Crescent, N. C.	10	20	25	8	20	83	65	4		87		Yes	2				42	45	10	10	7		50	90
	St. Luke's	George D. Peeler, Salisbury, N. C., R. 6	Mrs. David T. Peeler, Salisbury, N. C.	9	16	10	11	16	62	41	6		68		Yes	2				40	28	10	10			50	70
Faith	Shiloh	T. M. Byrd, Salisbury, N. C., R. 3		15	36	23	73		132	120	18		165	50	Yes		1	8		96	69	13		15	18	259	264
	Grace	G. A. Fisher, Rockwell, N. C., R. 2		15	20	15	39	86	175	72	13		188	100	Yes					100	74	2		21	5	138	131
	Mt. Hope	George Shuping, Salisbury, N. C., R. 8		10	23	16	39	30	138	77			138		Yes					64	98	4				20	50
Concord	Trinity	J. O. Moose, Concord, N. C.		19	46	14	24	116	200	113		10	229		Yes	2				113	45	11				160	205
Gilead	New Gilead	Fred Neisler, Concord, N. C., R. 3		10	17	10	13	27	67	46			77		Yes					43	21	7			5	16	32
	Keller	Aaron S. Cook, Concord, N. C., R. 3		7	16	25	15	15	71	42			78		Yes					40	25	4					31
Greensboro	First	J. T. Plott, Greensboro, N. C.	Mrs. E. L. Wagoner, Greensboro, N. C.	22	60	47	42	60	209	95	10	30	271	100	Yes	4				95	25	6	100			16	229
Catawba	Trinity	A. L. Shuford, Conover, N. C.		11	31	24		58	113	70	17		141		Yes				1	57	45					90	75
	Bethany	L. P. Wilson, Claremont, N. C.		3	12	15		20	47	25			50		Yes					17	9	3					10
	*Smyrna	Alva Martin, Catawba, N. C.		7	25	40		72	137	72			144		No					84	25					35	75

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Lincoln	Memorial	D. M. Carpenter, Maiden, N. C.		13	12	10	12	41	75	57			75		Yes					55	17	3	25			40	120
	St. Matthew's	J. A. Propst, Lincolnton, N. C., R. 4		10	18	21		22	61	38			61		Yes					33	14	5				22	16
U. Davidson	Pilgrim	J. Thos. Leonard, Lexington, N. C.	Mrs. Shelly Leonard, Lexington, N. C.	14	58	20	20	121	219	124			233		Yes					195	44	4				88	185
	Beulah	Elmer Everhart, Lexington, N. C., R. 4	Mary Berrier, Welcome, N. C., R. 1	11	54	50	56	74	234	110			244		Yes					150	10	22				42	119
	Bethany	John Lee Shoaf, Wallburg, N. C., R. 1	Mollie Long, Wallburg, N. C., R. 1	11	15	12		53	91	25			91		Yes					60	4					25	125
Charlotte	First	B. J. Summerrow, Charlotte, N. C.	Mrs. Shuford Peeler, Charlotte, N. C.	15	52	16	36	36	140	95	6		161		Yes	3	1	20	1	66	0	2	25	25	18	75	200
Waughtown Chg	First	J. S. Wear, Winston-Salem, N C.		14	46	47		80	173	92		6	179	22	Yes	2				70		12				104	138
	Hebron	L. L. Nifong, Winston-Salem, R. 4		10	26	21		40	87	58			87		Yes					55	25	4				554	28
	Bethlehem	O. H. Bodenhamer, Winston-Salem, R. 5		9	19	19		42	80	40			80		Yes					30	1	5					10
Newton	Grace	Clarence Clapp, Newton, N. C.	Mrs. Sam Herman, Newton, N. C.	15	38	16	98	28	180	100			180		Yes	2			3	85	67	10					207
High Point	First	J. W. Hedrick, High Point, N. C.	Mrs. Edgar Whitener, High Point, N. C.	18	50	43	20	114	227	156	33	16	276		Yes	3			1	108	22	3	23	31	10	96	500
Zion-Landis	Zion	B. S. Shuford, China Grove, N. C.		21	81	57	25	105	289	163			289		Yes					150	136	6	14	27	22	171	230
	First Landis	O. L. Linn, Landis, N. C.		19	55	18	22	32	127	98			127		Yes	3	1	8		38	68	3	13	6			109
Thomasville	Heidelberg	D. A. Long, Thomasville, N. C.		12	44	39	29	54	166	89			178		Yes	2				62	22	8			10	23	110
Guilford	Mt. Hope	M. C. Foust, Julian, N. C.		12	50	27		78	167	61	62	21	250		Yes	2							25			135	43
	Brick	W. Clapp, Burlington, N. C.		9	64	26		84	183	70	21		204		Yes								15			55	35
	St. Mark's	N. C. Jeffcoat, Burlington, N. C.		8	30			65	130	42	30		160	100	Yes	3				48						40	83
No. of Charges, 29.																											
No. of Schools, 55.			TOTAL FOR CLASSIS	659	1975	1338	1328	2880	7770	4510	367	129	8500	1147		48	7	78	10	4280	1756	401	618	597	179	4612	6032

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	MINISTER	POSTOFFICE ADDRESS	NAME OF CHARGE OR CONGREGATION	Congregations	Members			Additions				Losses				Sunday School				Contributions							
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	John Ingle	Green Park, N. C.	Without Charge																								
	Michael L. Hedrick	Lexington, N. C., R. 6	Without Charge																								
	Peter M. Trexler, D. D.	Salisbury, N. C., R. 6	Without Charge																								
	Paul Barringer, D. D.	Mt. Pleasant, N. C.	Without Charge																								
1	Jacob C. Leonard, D.D.	Lexington, N. C.	First, Lexington	1	454	334	70	13	11	18	12	3	6	14	3		1	438	1	25	422	622	186	2330	904	4464	3946
	J. M. L. Lyerly, Ph. D.	Crescent, N. C.	Without Charge																								
2			Pilgrim	1	250	225	54	6	3	4	7		3			1	1	233		38	100	100	83	1420	149	1852	888
3	James D. Andrew	Lexington, N. C.	Beulah	1	270	223	30	1	14	23				8	1		1	244	2		12	12	54	210	92	380	2500
4		Upper Davidson, N. C.	Bethany	1	75	65	3								1		1	91			7	7	18	195	72	299	300
	Julius H. Shuford	Hickory, N. C.	Without Charge																								
5	William H. McNairy	Lincolnton, N. C.	Emanuel, Lincolnton	1	73	40	19	2		2		3	3				1	67			75	77	126	504	56	838	1466
	Henry E. Sechler	China Grove, N. C.	Without Charge																								
6	John H. Keller	China Grove, N. C.	Mt. Zion	1	280	175	185	14		6	4		4		4	1	1	289		120	222	850	180	665	375	2250	4085
7		Zion-Landis	First, Landis	1	101	83	40	4		3	3				1	1	1	146			150	663	145			958	1900
8			First, Waughtown	1	101	75	3	1	12	13	2			12			1	193			80	80		360	362	880	370
9	David E. Bowers	Winston-Salem, N. C.	Hebron	1	101	78	20	1		6	1		5		1		1	97	1		8			260	65	334	255
10		Waughtown	Bethlehem	1	42	22	1		5	5	1	1		4	1		1	80						60	43	43	68
11	Walter W. Rowe	Hickory, N. C.	Corinth, Hickory	1	365	275	125	15	4	33	12		19	3	3	1	1	258		65	400	900	225	3200	1250	5975	3800
12	Shuford Peeler	Charlotte, N. C.	First, Charlotte	1	93	80	40	8	2	5	23	3	3	5			1	161			56	65	31	750	400	1302	1582
	Anthony Shulenberger	China Grove, N. C.	Without Charge																								
13	Lee A. Peeler	Kannapolis, N. C.	St. John's, Kannapolis	1	64	63	25	5		16	8					1	1	136		68	38	42	44	109	175	408	1650
14		Kannapolis	St. Paul's	1	66	60	26	2		6			1	1	1		1	99			55	55	85	572	180	947	600
	Joseph W. Bell	Foster, Va.	Without Charge																								
15	A. Samuel Peeler	Lenoir, N. C.	Zion, Lenoir	1	62	54	22	2	1	2	2						1	83			159	139	117	735	598	1013	1584
16	C. Columbus Wagoner	Salisbury, N. C.	First, Salisbury	1	123	91	60	5		1	11						1	213		19	196	206	49	640	445	1536	2183
17			Emanuel	1	167	105	47	3			3				1		1	250			7	7	1	424	61	500	450
18	Dougan C. Cox	Thomasville, N. C.	Calvary	1	98	75	2		2	10	3				2		1	120			8	8	7	130	49	202	178
19		Emanuel	Zion	1	139	78	21	1		2	1		1		1		1	165						326	51	377	250
20			Memorial, Maiden	1	90	83	32	2		1	1		6				1	80		14	110	105	215	577	112	1119	720
21	John A. Koons	Maiden, N. C.	Salem	1	35	34	14	1		3	1										20	20	47	199	61	347	280
22		Lincoln	St. Matthew's	1	92	84	51	13		6	3			5			1	71			25	25	75	273	177	580	750
23	Jacob A. Palmer	Thomasville, N. C.	Heidelberg, Thomasville	1	132	70	23	2	4	9			7				1	178			107	115	88	700	190	1200	1480
24			Hedrick's Grove	1	113	94	54	6					2		2	3	1	144			64	64	97	130	133	488	427
25	John C. Peeler	Lexington, N. C., R. 2	Mt. Tabor	1	82	78	41	4	5	11			3		2	1	1	135						103		103	280
26		Lower Davidson	Jerusalem	1	39	36	24						1		2		1	71						185		185	196
27			Beck's	1	160	128	96	10	7	13	2		3		4	2	1	142						214		214	497
	Albert F. Nace	Atlanta, Ga.	Without Charge	1	131	106	42	6	1	10	11		3			1	1	229		181	101	99	71	950	798	2019	2066
28	William C. Lyerly	Concord, N. C.	Trinity, Concord	1	120	96	87	3		13		4	2		1	1	1	165	1		82	82	30			287	3000
29			Shiloh	1	150	133	64	5		2	1		12		1		1	188		28	132	132		662		496	800
30	Harvey A. Welker	Salisbury, N. C., R. 3	Grace	1	68	57	77	2		5			2			1	1	138			35	35				112	320
31		Faith	Mt. Hope																								

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32	G. Ermine Plott	Winston-Salem, N. C.	Schlatter Mem., W. S.	1	80	60	10	2	10	12	17	2			1		1	155	1		40	40	32	236	15	190	625
	H.A.M.Holshouser,Ph.D.	Winston-Salem, N. C.	Without Charge																								
33	Harvey A. Fesperman	Greensboro, N. C.	First, Greensboro	1	141	95	25		4	3	24		15		1		1	271		50	100	129	266	486	76	1701	1576
	Abram D.Wolfinger,D.D.	Newton, N. C.	Pres. Catawba College																								
	Harvey G. Kopenhaver	Newton, N. C.	Prof. Catawba College																								
	Albert Klinger	Julian, N. C., R. 1	Without Charge																								
	William B. Werner	Crescent, N. C.	Supt. Nazareth O. H.																								
34	Roy E. Leinbach	High Point, N. C.	First, High Point	1	154	93	37	5	4	4	1	2	1	6			1	276		26	130	130	21	1100	239	1670	2000
35	Samuel J. Kirk	Burlington, N. C.	First, Burlington	1	177	117	75	10	13	34	5	1	2		3	1	1	154		40	116	116	62	332	71	697	2048
	Frank L. Fesperman	Tokyo, Japan	Missionary to Japan																								
	Sterling W. Whitener	Yochow, China	Missionary to China																								
36			St. Luke's	1	57	45	28	3		10	2		1				1	68			40	40	30	400	19	529	240
37	S. Arthur Troxell	Rockwell, N. C.	Ursinus, Rockwell	1	116	102	50	10	1	11		1	9	1	3		1	181	1		96	96	200	3250	50	3692	800
38		Rockwell	Bethany, Crescent	1	60	50	38	2	3	10			2	1	1		1	100	2		40	40	25	339	19	463	260
39		Mt. Pleasant, N. C.	St. James', Mt. Pleasant	1	86	53	25	3			3		3		3		1	120		41	74	74	41	3928	45	4315	890
40	Aaron R. Tosh	Bear Creek	Bethel	1	217	150	70	13			5		6		4		1	238	1	19	95	95	53	1245	70	1546	353
41			Boger	1	80	50	33	4	1	2			2				1	122		33	64	64	36	120	38	322	802
42		Conover, N. C.	Smyrna	1	43	37	25	1			1				1		1	137			32	31		90	37	207	200
43	Oliver H. Sensenig	Catawba	Bethany	1	43	26	20	4					2		1		1	47			18	17			9	60	160
44			Trinity-St. John's	1	100	84	42	2					3		1		1	141			83	84	46	810	85	1158	615
45	John A. Ditzler	Newton, N. C.	Grace, Newton	1	212	180	75	3	1	9	10	1		7	1	1	1	180		100	160	160	89	2450	250	3109	1583
46	J. C. Leonard, Supply	Lexington, N. C.	Second, Lexington	1	119	78	12	1	10	14				10			1	294		20	128	92	44	144	241	649	770
47	W. W. Rowe, Supply	Hickory, N. C.	Faith, Brookford	1	70	45	31	5	1	6	12			5	1	3	1	109			10	10	28		50	98	250
48	W. C. Lyerly, Supply.	Concord, N. C.	New Gilead	1	130	97	62	6		7		1	6	5	1		1	77		12	107	107	60	404	237	915	715
49		Gilead	Keller	1	47	44	28	6		3			1	2	1	1	1	78			38	38	22	119	69	286	324
50	Vacant	Blowing Rock, N. C.	Mt. Bethel	1																							
51			St. Paul's	1	114	75	25	9	2	5	1				1	2	1	115			35	35	75	540	53	743	400
52	Vacant	Newton, N. C., R. 1	Bethel	1	80	65	15	4		5	3		2				1	80			30	30	50	379	74	563	400
53		South Fork	Grace	1	82	60	20	5		6	1						1	110			62	62	64	542	19	771	400
54			Daniel's	1	53	42	10	2	2	2	3				2		1	48			62	62	112	563	58	857	400
55		Julian, N. C., R. 1	Mt. Hope	1	123	100																					
56	Vacant	Guilford	Brick	1	86	70																					
57			St. Mark's	1	70	45																					
58			Fairview	1	10	10																					
				57	6691	5063	2154	237	123	370	200	22	141	89	58	21	56	8005	10	899	4321	6072	3330	34360	8622	56259	54682

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				No. Members in Consistory	Number of Families	Weekly Church Papers of Reformed Church Taken	Ministerial Relief	Sunday School Extension and Education	Orphans' Homes	Other Benevolences Not Officially Related to the Congregation	Pastor's Support	Have You a Parsonage?	Paid on Indebtedness	Raised for Future Purposes	Paid for All Other Congregational Purposes	Individuals, but Not Through Congregational Channels	Churches	Parsonages
1	First, Lexington	J. T. Hedrick	Lexington, N. C.	22	193	18	45	.....	622	.....	2100	Yes	.....	.....	1846	2300	30000	3500
2	Pilgrim	A. P. Long	Thomasville, N. C., R. 1.	18	97	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	650	Yes	.....	.....	.....	.....	3000	3000
3	Beulah	M. L. Sowers	Lexington, N. C., R. 4.	18	112	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	650	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5000	.....
4	Bethany	W. A. Murphy	Thomasville, N. C., R. 1.	8	38	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	300	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3000	.....
5	Emanuel, Lincolnton	J. A. Shuford	Lincolnton, N. C.	6	33	9	7	14	22	.....	325	Yes	200	.....	941	.....	25000	7000
6	Mt. Zion	J. E. Correll	China Grove, N. C.	12	106	24	.....	22	127	125	805	Yes	2740	.....	540	.....	30000	2500
7	First, Landis	J. P. Linn	Landis, N. C.	8	41	8	25	.....	58	172	625	.....	950	.....	218	100	25000	.....
8	First, Waughtown	J. S. Wear	Winston-Salem, N. C.	10	.....	1	10	.....	178	.....	240	Yes	.....	.....	130	.....	10000	3000
9	Hebron	T. H. Livengood	Winston_Salem, N. C., R. 5.	8	37	.....	.....	.....	37	.....	231	.....	.....	.....	25	.....	5000	.....
10	Bethlehem	O. H. Bodenhamer	Winston_Salem, N. C., R. 5.	4	19	.....	.....	.....	23	.....	48	.....	.....	.....	20	.....	3000	.....
11	Corinth, Hickory	J. W. Warlick	Hickory, N. C.	20	172	40	35	.....	250	685	2400	Yes	.....	.....	1400	750	50000	7000
12	First, Charlotte	J. C. Peck	Charlotte, N. C.	8	46	12	7	49	100	1046	600	Yes	700	1000	982	100	45000	6000
13	St. John's, Kannapolis	R. B. McCombs	Kannapolis, N. C.	8	25	5	4	14	60	11	550	Yes	.....	930	170	50	30000	9000
14	St. Paul's	J. F. McKnight	China Grove, N. C.	8	17	3	6	15	70	25	300	.....	.....	100	200	52	2000	.....
15	Zion, Lenoir	A. A. Blackwelder	Lenoir, N. C.	8	26	15	6	26	160	406	940	Yes	270	.....	374	240	3000	2500
16	First, Salisbury	J. W. Lyerly	Salisbury, N. C.	12	57	17	11	15	232	213	958	Yes	154	65	1006	.....	20000	3000
17	Emanuel	H. A. Grimes	Thomasville, N. C.	10	70	.....	.....	.....	25	10	440	.....	.....	.....	68	.....	1500	.....
18	Calvary	B. Black	Thomasville, N. C.	7	40	.....	.....	.....	13	65	178	Yes	.....	.....	.....	.....	1500	2000
19	Zion	W. T. Murphy	Thomasville, N. C.	8	38	.....	.....	.....	13	23	250	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	1800	.....
20	Memorial, Maiden	S. M. Finger	Maiden, N. C.	8	34	8	10	.....	90	200	500	Yes	.....	.....	100	110	2000	1500
21	Salem	Jacob Ramsaur	Lincolnton, N. C., R. 4.	5	16	5	3	.....	25	80	200	.....	.....	.....	10	40	2500	.....
22	St. Matthew's	D. F. Campbell	Lincolnton, N. C., R. 2.	8	38	3	.....	.....	15	75	300	.....	.....	.....	300	150	45	4000	.....
23	Heidelberg, Thomasville	F. M. Hunter	Thomasville, N. C.	12	64	.....	13	10	13	106	792	Yes	.....	.....	688	50	6000	3000
24	Hedrick's Grove	Robert L. Beck	Lexington, N. C., R. 2.	8	38	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	427	Yes	.....	.....	9300	.....	500	1000
25	Mt. Tabor	A. H. Kepley	Lexington, N. C., R. 2.	8	34	4	.....	.....	20	.....	280	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1500	.....
26	Jerusalem	P. I. Younts	Lexington, N. C., R. 2.	8	16	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	196	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1500	.....
27	Beck's	E. F. Crotts	Lexington, N. C., R. 6.	8	49	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	497	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2000	.....
28	Trinity, Concord	J. H. A. Holshouser	Concord, N. C.	12	52	14	11	.....	39	85	1031	Yes	.....	.....	793	.....	5000	3000
29	Shiloh	John D. A. Fisher	Salisbury, N. C., R. 3.	8	49	12	10	18	240	66	600	Yes	.....	.....	75	.....	12500	1500
30	Grace	David Corl	Rockwell, N. C., R. 1.	8	67	.....	16	5	232	25	560	Yes	.....	.....	75	.....	5000	1500

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31	Mt. Hope	George H. Pless	China Grove, N. C., R. 1	8	20	.....	4	.....	7	12	280	.....	.....	.....	67	.....	4000	.....
32	Schlatter Mem., W. S.	E. M. Williard	Winston-Salem, N. C	6	39	32	5	.....	36	25	250	Yes	.....	.....	375	60	40000	5000
33	First, Greensboro	J. F. Troxler	Greensboro, N. C	10	75	12	13	.....	246	385	775	Yes	.....	.....	801	.....	28500	8000
34	First, High Point	J. R. Young	High Point, N. C	12	34	14	16	21	60	.....	.....	Yes	.....	.....	1000	.....	25000	.....
35	First, Burlington	Arthur G. Hoffman	Burlington, N C	12	70	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	1012	Yes	570	.....	466	.....	8000	6000
36	St. Luke's	George D. Peeler	Salisbury, N. C., R. 6	6	17	2	5	.....	50	10	225	Yes	.....	.....	.....	.....	1400	.....
37	Ursinus, Rockwell	J. B. McCombs	Granite Quarry, N. C	8	39	10	12	.....	200	100	800	Yes	.....	500	.....	.....	1500	1500
38	Bethany, Crescent	R. E. Patterson	Crescent, N. C	6	16	4	5	.....	75	7	250	Yes	.....	.....	.....	.....	1000	.....
39	St. James', Mt. Pleas't	O. A. Barringer	Mt. Pleasant, N. C	8	26	11	9	.....	144	30	560	Yes	.....	.....	250	120	2000	2000
40	Bethel	Jason H. Moose	Gold Hill, N. C., R. 3	6	60	6	12	.....	.....	50	688	Yes	.....	.....	.....	180	6000	.....
41	Boger	B. E. Wilson	Concord, N. C., R. 4	8	23	1	8	.....	45	.....	151	Yes	.....	.....	140	.....	1500	.....
42	Smyrna	B. A. Hildebrand	Catawba, N. C., R. 2	8	19	3	.....	.....	7	30	200	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	500	.....
43	Bethany	L. P. Wilson	Claremont, N. C., R. 1	6	22	.....	.....	.....	9	.....	100	.....	.....	.....	60	.....	600	.....
44	Trinity-St. John's	L. A. Shuford	Conover, N. C	8	33	7	.....	.....	85	.....	600	Yes	.....	250	15	35	2000	1000
45	Grace, Newton	J. B. Leonard	Newton, N. C	12	80	.....	20	12	110	.....	720	Yes	.....	.....	863	950	8000	3000
46	Second, Lexington	T. A. Swing	Lexington, N. C	8	64	3	12	.....	40	.....	338	No	.....	.....	432	.....	2500	.....
47	Faith, Brookford	O. H. Hunt	Brookford, N. C	6	39	.....	5	.....	15	25	150	No	.....	.....	100	.....	1000	.....
48	New Gilead	Fred Neisler	Concord, N. C., R. 3	8	56	8	14	.....	98	50	520	Yes	.....	22	75	.....	2500	1000
49	Keller	Aaron S. Cook	Concord, N. C., R. 3	6	19	1	5	.....	46	18	230	.....	.....	31	63	.....	1000	.....
50	Mt. Bethel	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
51	St. Paul's	J. R. Fulbright	Newton, N. C., R. 5	8	40	10	5	.....	15	.....	334	Yes	.....	.....	.....	.....	1800	1200
52	Bethel	G. L. Whitener	Hickory, N. C., R. 1	8	34	1	4	.....	15	.....	334	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2000	.....
53	Grace	A. M. Icard	Lincolnton, N. C., R. F. D.	6	35	3	8	.....	33	.....	334	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2500	.....
54	Daniel's	J. R. Warlick	Lincolnton, N. C	6	17	8	8	.....	15	.....	334	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2000	.....
55	Mt. Hope	R. B. Andrew	Sedalia, N. C	10	81	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Yes	.....	.....	.....	.....	3000	1000
56	Brick	James Shepherd	Burlington, N. C., R. 1	10	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3000	.....
57	St. Mark's	E. C. Rumbley	Burlington, N. C., R. 4	8	30	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2000	.....
58	Fairview	Prof. Joyner	Whitsett, N. C	2	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2000	.....
				506	2652	366	389	221	4015	4160	27158		5584	12498	14518	5192	491600	87700

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SPECIAL MEETING OF CLASSIS, JULY 21, 1921.

The Classis of North Carolina met in harmony with the following call: Lexington, N. C., July 5, 1921. Dear Brother:—There will be a special meeting of the Classis of North Carolina at Catawba College, Newton, N. C., July 21, 1921, at 2.30 p. m., to consider the following: 1. Resignation of Rev. W. H. McNairy as pastor of Emanuel Church, Lincolnton. 2. Expenses of the committee appointed to represent Classis before the Forward Movement Commission. 3. The Missionary and Stewardship interests of the Church. Please notify your elder. By order of the President. J. C. Leonard, Stated Clerk. Devotional services were conducted by Rev. J. A. Koons. The following members were present: Revs. J. C. Leonard, J. D. Andrew, W. H. McNairy, J. H. Keller, W. W. Rowe, S. Peeler, L. A. Peeler, A. S. Peeler, C. C. Wagoner, J. A. Koons, J. A. Palmer, J. C. Peeler, W. C. Lyerly, H. A. Welker, H. A. Fesperman, A. D. Wolfinger, H. G. Kopenhaver, O. H. Sensenig, J. A. Ditzler; Elders G. D. Herman, C. E. Ramsaur, J. F. Herman. The following advisory members were present: Rev. S. W. Beck, Virginia Classis; Rev. E. H. Guinther, missionary to China; Elders A. A. Blackweder, J. B. Leonard, Dr. M. A. Foil. The business was disposed of in the following action:

1. The pastoral relation between Rev. W. H. McNairy and Emanuel Church, Lincolnton, was dissolved and the charge declared vacant from August 31, 1921.

2. It was ordered that the following bills of expense be paid: $40 to Rev. A. D. Wolfinger, $35 to Elder J. T. Hedrick, $35 to Elder J. W. Peeler.

3. The following report of the Missionary and Stewardship Committee was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

According to the present plan of church finance the apportionment is the backbone of the missionary and benevolent activities of our denomination. The raising of the full apportionment is the least that our Church should think of doing in performing her share of world responsibility. Our Classis has led the whole Church in subscription to the Forward Movement. She has been leading in numerical growth. There is no reason why she should not do her full

duty in the payment of her apportionment. Yet during the last year we raised only 67.6 per cent. of our apportionment, placing us at the bottom of the list in Potomac Synod, and below the average in the entire Church. The Classical Missionary and Stewardship Committee hereby calls upon all our people, through the ministers and elders here assembled in special session, to bestir ourselves in the raising of the full apportionment during the coming year. That we may be of mutual helpfulness in the performance of this important duty, we recommend that a simultaneous campaign be conducted throughout the Classis the third Sunday in October according to the schedule attached hereto.

2. That the brethren be requested on this campaign to present the subject of the Stewardship of Possessions and especially the need of paying the apportionment, and that meetings be held with the consistories to plan special campaigns to raise the full apportionment this year wherever said apportionment has not already been provided for, and that each pastor be requested to give the visiting brethren a statement of the present standing of the apportionment for this year.

3. That ministers and spiritual councils be requested to postpone any special services, such as Communions, etc., on the above date so as to give full time for the presentation of this important matter.

4. That the Treasurer of Classis be authorized to pay all bills for traveling expenses presented by the brethren for this campaign.

Respectfully submitted,

L. A. PEELER,
J. A. DITZLER.

The Minutes were read and approved, and the Classis adjourned in the usual form.

J. C. PEELER, President,
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

SPECIAL MEETING OF CLASSIS, AUGUST 29, 1921.

The Classis met in obedience to the following call: Lexington, N. C., August 15, 1921. Dear Brother:—The Classis of North Carolina will meet in special session in First Reformed Church, Salisbury, August 29, 1921, at 2.30 o'clock p. m., to attend to the following: 1. Report of Brookford Church supply. 2. Petition for organization in West Hickory. 3. Request from the Brookford Congregation. 4.

Commission of Rev. W. H. McNairy for W. Hickory. 5. Request from Lincolnton and South Fork Charge consistories. 6. Dismission of Rev. Dallas R. Krebs to Classis. 7. Call to Rev. D. R. Krebs from First Church, High Point. 8. Letter from Potomac Synod's Board of Ministerial Sustentation. 9. Reception of Revs. A. R. Tosh, S. A. Troxell, J. W. Bell and R. E. Leinbach. 10. Report from the Guilford Charge supply. Please notify your elder. By order of the President. J. C. Leonard, Stated Clerk. Devotional services were conducted by Rev. J. M. L. Lyerly. The following were present: Revs. J. C. Leonard, J. M. L. Lyerly, J. H. Keller, W. W. Rowe, A. Shulenberger, C. C. Wagoner, J. A. Palmer, J. C. Peeler, H. A. Fesperman, S. J. Kirk, O. H. Sensenig, J. A. Ditzler; Elders J .W. Deal, Dr. A. W. Moose, J. T. Hedrick, E. Whitener, J. J. Correll, D. T. Peeler, C. C. Leonard. The following advisory members were invited to seats: Elders R. E. Andrew, J. P. Linn, D. A. Seagel, James Shuford, Jacob Warlick, Henry Peeler, W. R. Whitt, Rev. D. R .Krebs.

The following action was taken:

1. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

As Committee of Supply for Faith Church, Brookford, I beg leave to report that since the annual meeting of Classis Student Felix Peck has supplied the congregation most acceptably. It is with pleasure that we can report the fact that the congregation will now have a regular pastor in the person of Rev. W. H. McNairy.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. ROWE.

2. A petition signed by twelve members of the Reformed Church asking for the organization of a congregation in West Hickory, already enrolled as a mission by the Board of Missions, was granted. The following were appointed to organize the church: Revs. W. H. McNairy, W. W. Rowe, Elder J. F. Herman.

3. The request of the Brookford Church to be incorporated into a charge with the West Hickory Church was granted, the charge to be called the West Hickory Charge.

4. The commission of Rev. W. H. McNairy as pastor of the West Hickory Charge was confirmed, and the following were appointed to install him pastor: Revs. W. W. Rowe, J. A. Ditzler, Elder J. W. Warlick.

5. The request of the Lincolnton and South Ford Charge consistories, that Daniel's Church be detached from the South Fork Charge and incorporated with Emanuel Church, Lincolnton, in a charge to be called the Lincolnton Charge, was granted, and this arrangement was consummated.

6. Rev. D. R. Krebs was received from Philadelphia Classis, Eastern Synod, and his name placed on the roll of ministers.

7. The call to Rev. D. R. Krebs from First Church, High Point, was found in order and confirmed. The following were appointed to install him pastor: Revs. J. C. Leonard, H. A. Fesperman, Elder J. T. Hedrick.

8. Notice was received from Potomac Synod's Board of Ministerial Sustentation that $200 had been granted to the Catawba Charge.

9. Notice was received of the reception of Rev. A. R. Tosh by Virginia Classis, Potomac Synod; Rev. S. A. Troxell by Maryland Classis, Potomac Synod; Rev. J. W. Bell by Abingdon Presbytery, Apalachia Synod, Presbyterian Church U. S.; Rev. R. E. Leinbach by Carlisle Classis, Potomac Synod.

10. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis:

Your Committee of Supply for the Guilford Charge beg leave to report that we have visited the charge several times and have tried to bring about a reconciliation of the various factions. We have succeeded only in part.

We recommend that Rev. Dr. J. M. L. Lyerly be appointed stated supply for the Guilford Charge until the next annual meeting of Classis, and that the consistories of the several churches of the charge be officially notified of this action of Classis, and be instructed to arrange for regular services and make arrangements for suitable remuneration.

Respectfully submitted,
EDGAR WHITENER,
J. T. HEDRICK.

The Minutes were read and approved, and the Classis adjourned with the Benediction by the President.

J. C. PEELER, President,
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

SPECIAL MEETING OF CLASSIS, NOVEMBER 16, 1921.

Th Classis of North Carolina met in harmony with the following call: Lexington, N. C., November 2, 1921. Dear Brother:—There will be a special meeting of the Classis of North Carolina in the First Reformed Church, Lexington, N. C., November 16, 1921, at 2 o'clock p. m., to attend to the following: 1. To take note of the death of Rev. David E. Bowers, the Treasurer. 2. To elect a Treasurer of the Classis of North Carolina. 3. To hear the report of any committees of Classis. Please notify your elder. By order of the President. J. C. Leonard, Stated Clerk. The Stated Clerk called the Classis to order. Rev. D. C. Cox was chosen President pro tem. Devotional services were conducted by Rev. G. E. Plott. The following members were present: Revs. J. C. Leonard, J. D. Andrew, J. H. Keller, W. W Rowe, C. C.Wagoner, D. C. Cox, J. A. Koons, J. A. Palmer, G. E. Plott, H. A. Fesperman; Elders J. T. Hedrick, T. A. Swing, E. A. Hedrick, R. P. Murphy, R. L. Lopp, E. V. McGee. The following elders were admitted to seats as advisory members: L. L. Nifong, M. C. Bodenhamer, W. C. Lemons.

Following is the action of Classis on the items of the call:

1. The Stated Clerk announced the death of the Treasurer of Classis, Rev. David E. Bowers, on October 28, 1921. The Classis went into prayer, led by Rev. D. C. Cox. The following were appointed a Committee on Necrology, to report at the next annual meeting of Classis: Revs. J. C. Leonard, G. E. Plott and Elder E. V. McGee.

2. Rev. G. E. Plott, Winston-Salem, was elected Treasurer to fill the unexpired term of the late Treasurer. The following were appointed to find some layman suitable for this office: Revs. J. H. Keller, W. W. Rowe and Elder R. P. Murphy.

In this connection the following action was taken:

Resolved, that Rev. G. E. Plott and Elder J. T. Hedrick be appointed an Auditing Committee to take over the business of the former Treasurer, Rev. David E. Bowers, deceased, and turn the same over to the new Treasurer, Rev. G. E. Plott.

Resolved, That the administrator of the estate of the late Treasurer, the said Rev. David E. Bowers, be authorized to turn over to the committee all books, papers, funds, etc., in his possession at the time of his death, and to take receipts for same from said committee.

3. The following reports were received and adopted:

(a) To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

I beg leave to report that as instructed I organized a congregation in West Hickory on September 11, 1921, with 16 members, under the name of Murphy Memorial Reformed Church. The following officers were elected, ordained and installed: J. R. Boyd and M. E. Throneburg, elders; J. C. DeRhodes and Lawrence Hoffman, deacons.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. McNAIRY, Chairman.

(b) To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee appointed to install Rev. W. H. McNairy pastor of the West Hickory Charge beg leave to report that the duty was attended to on the afernoon of October 2, 1921, in Faith Church, Brookford. All members of the committee were present and took part in the service. Respectfully submitted,

W. W. ROWE,
J. A. DITZLER,
J. W. WARLICK.

(c) Notice of the reception of Rev. D. R. Krebs by Schuylkill Classis, Eastern Synod, was adopted.

The Minutes were read and approved, and Classis adjourned with the benediction by Rev. J. H. Keller.

J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

NINETY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSIONS
ACTS AND PROCEEDINGS

of the

CLASSIS OF NORTH CAROLINA

of the

REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES.

ARTICLE I.

OPENING OF CLASSIS.

The Classis of North Carolina, Synod of the Potomac, Reformed Church in the United States, met in ninety-second annual sessions in St. James' Reformed Church, Mt. Pleasant, North Carolina, Wednesday evening, May 10, A. D. 1922, at 8 o'clock. The sermon was preached by the President of Classis, Rev. J. C. Peeler, pastor of the Lower Davidson Charge, from Isaiah 52: 1, "Awake, awake, put on thy strength, O Zion." Rev. J. A. Koons conducted the liturgical services. After the sermon the Holy Communion was administered, in charge of Revs. Shuford Peeler and J. D. Andrew. The President ordered the calling of the roll. A quorum was found present.

ARTICLE II.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

Ministers—P. M. Trexler, D. D., Paul Barringer, D. D., J. C. Leonard, D. D., J. M. L. Lyerly, Ph. D., J. D. Andrew, W. H. McNairy, J. H. Keller, W. W. Rowe, Shuford Peeler, A. Shulenberger, L. A. Peeler, A. S. Peeler, C. C. Wagoner, D. C. Cox, J. A. Koons, J. A. Palmer, J. C. Peeler, W. C. Lyerly, H. A. Welker, G. E. Plott, H. A. M. Holshouser, Ph. D., H. A. Fesperman, A. D. Wolfinger, D. D., W. B. Werner, S. J. Kirk, Milton Whitener, C. W. Warlick.

Licentiates—F. B. Peck, A. O. Leonard, B. J. Peeler, W. C. Shaw.

Elders—W. A. Welker, B. S. Shuford, M. G. Lentz, R. L. Whitener, E. A. Rothrock, J. J. Correll, W. A. Beck, J. M. Nifong, Jno. W. Hedrick, R. P. Murphy, J. W. Bowers, J. O. Moose, J. T. Plott, J. R. Hoffman, Esq., L. L. Nifong, J. B. McCombs, F. O. Leonard, C. C. Leonard, E. D. Fox, G. H. Pless, A. L. Shuford, R. B. McCombs, R. F. Cline.

Advisory Members—Rev. A. V. Casselman, Reading Classis, Eastern Synod; Rev. Charles Peters, Ph. D., West New York Classis, German Synod of the East; Elder J. S. Wise, Treasurer of the Board of Home Missions; Rev. J. G. Rupp, representative of the Board of Foreign Missions; Rev. J. B. Swartz, Tiffin Classis, Ohio Synod.

Elders—C. P. Cline, J. T. Hedrick, J. H. Moose, J. F. Moose, D. A. Shoe, J. H. A. Holshouser, J. H. Foil, Dr. M. A. Foil, Dr. A. W. Moose, J. L. C. Miller.

Visiting Brethren—Rev. Ernest Clapp, D. D., Ulster Classis, Reformed Church of America; Rev. W. T. Albright, M. E. Church, South.

The following ministers were absent without reporting: F. L. Fesperman, S. W. Whitener.

The following charges were not represented by elders: Corinth, Hickory; Grace, Newton; Second, Lexington; Zion, Lenoir; West Hickory; South Fork.

ROLL OF ELDERS.

Charge	Primarius	Secundus
Corinth, Hickory	Wm. R. Weaver	Chas. H. Geitner
Guilford	Wm. A. Welker	Robert B. Andrew
Zion-Landis	Byron S. Shuford	Chester C. Deal
Bear Creek	Malcolm G. Lentz	W. A. Lyerly
South Fork		
Lincoln	R. L. Whitener	D. Martin Carpenter
Grace, Newton	John W. Hardister	Dr. Herbert E. Rowe
First, Lexington	D. Lee Brinkley	Edwin A. Rothrock
Second, Lexington	Murray P. Bain	Alison L. Burkhart
First, Salisbury	J. J. Correll	M. C. Barnhart
Lower Davidson	W. Andrew Beck	D. Claude Kepley
Upper Davidson	Julius M. Nifong	Pleas. A. Livengood
First, High Point	John W. Hedrick	Edgar Whitener
Heidelberg, Thomasville	Randall P. Murphy	Charlie S. Long
Emanuel	John W. Bowers	M. R. Harris
Trinity, Concord	Jacob O. Moose	J. H. A. Holshouser
First, Greensboro	John T. Plott	John F. Troxler
Burlington	J. R. Hoffman, Esq.	Herbert W. Coble
Zion, Lenoir	J. Pinkney Rabb	Ivey T. Hedrick
Waughtown	Luther L. Nifong	Mich. C. Bodenhamer
Rockwell	Joseph B. McCombs	John L. Fisher

Winston-Salem	Emory M. Williard	Fred O. Leonard	
Lincolnton	Columbus C. Leonard	J. R. Warlick	
West Hickory	T. Will Reese	Yeodom T. Warren	
First, Charlotte	Eugene D. Fox	Charles E. Dechant	
Faith	George H. Pless	Geo. M. Shuping	
Catawba	Adrian L. Shuford	James A. Propst	
Kannapolis	R. Baxter McCombs	William C. Rose	
Gilead	Robert F. Cline	Caleb P. Cline	

ARTICLE III.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The following were elected officers of Classis: Rev. J. A. Palmer, Thomasville, N. C., President; Elder John W. Hedrick, High Point, N. C., Vice President; Rev. W. C. Lyerly, Concord, N. C., Reading Clerk; Rev. C. C. Wagoner, Salisbury, N. C., Corresponding Secretary; Rev. G. E. Plott, Winston-Salem, N. C., Treasurer; Rev. J. C. Leonard, D. D., Lexington, N. C., Stated Clerk for a term of five years.

ARTICLE IV.

PERMANENT COMMITTEES.

1. Executive Committee—Revs. J. A. Palmer, J. C. Leonard, Elder E. A. Rothrock.

2. Sunday Schools—Revs. S. J. Kirk, B. J. Peeler, Elder B. S. Shuford.

3. Missionary and Stewardship—Elder Jno. W. Hedrick, 3 years; Rev. L. A. Peeler, 2 years; Rev. J. A. Koons, 1 year.

4. Rebecca Solliday Church Building Fund—Rev. H. A. Fesperman, 3 years; Elder J. B. Leonard, 2 years; Rev. J. M. L. Lyerly, 1 year.

5. George G. Solliday Beneficiary Education Fund—Revs. W. W. Rowe, A. D. Wolfinger, Elder J. B. Leonard.

6. Trustees of Classis—Rev. W. W. Rowe, Elders J. A. Propst, T. L. Hunsucker.

7. Vacancy and Supply—Revs. J. A. Palmer, J. C. Leonard, Elder E. A. Rothrock.

8. Young People's Societies—Revs. J. A. Koons, D. C. Cox, Elder L. L. Nifong.

9. Religious Literature—Revs. S. J. Kirk, B. J. Peeler, Elder B. S. Shuford.

10. Social Service and Rural Work—Revs. J. C. Peeler, J. H. Keller, Elder Jno. W. Hedrick.

11. Temperance—Revs. J. A. Koons, S. J. Kirk, Elder J. J. Correll.

12. Committee on Historical Society—Revs. J. C. Leonard, W. W. Rowe, Elder J. J. Correll.

13. Forward Movement—Revs. W. C. Lyerly, Messrs. J. B. Leonard, J. W. Peeler, H. E. Shoaf, J. T. Hedrick, J. T. Plott.

ARTICLE V.

RULES OF ORDER.

The Rules of Order adopted by the General Synod were observed in the sessions of Classis. The President defined the Bar of the House to be the first eight pews in front and those at the sides of the chancel. The following hours were fixed for opening and closing: Meet at 9 o'clock a. m. and close at 5 p. m., with a recess from 11.45 a. m. to 1.30 p. m.

ARTICLE VI.

STANDNG COMMITTEES.

1. Religious Services—C. W. Warlick, J. M. L. Lyerly, J. J. Correll.

2. Minutes of Classis—J. C. Leonard, W. H. McNairy, R. B. McCombs.

3. Minutes of Potomac Synod—S. Peeler, H. A. Welker, W. A. Beck.

4. Overtures—H. A. Fesperman, J. M. L. Lyerly, J. W. Bowers.

5. Missions—W. C. Lyerly, J. D. Andrew, M. G. Lentz.

6. Benevolent Institutions—J. D. Andrew, H. A. M. Holshouser, J. M. Nifong.

7. Education—A. S. Peeler, M. Whitener, J. O. Moose.

8. State of the Church—J. C. Peeler, S. J. Kirk, J. W. Hedrick.

9. Nominations—J. H. Keller, H. A. Welker, E. D. Fox.

10. Finance—C. C. Wagoner, W. C. Lyerly, J. T. Plott.

11. Examination and Licensure—W. W. Rowe, G. E. Plott, W. A. Welker.

12. Young People's Societies—J. A. Koons, D. C. Cox, L. L. Nifong.

13. Press—L. A. Peeler, W. C. Lyerly, C. C. Leonard.

14. Leave of Absence—H. A. Welker, W. H. McNairy, R. L. Whitener.

15. Necrology—J. C. Leonard, S. Peeler, R. P. Murphy.

ARTICLE VII.

COMMUNICATIONS.

1. Copies of the Minutes of Classis and of the Synod of the Potomac were referred to the committees on these subjects.

2. The Treasurer's report was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

3. The report of the Trustees of Catawba College was read and referred to the Committee on Education.

4. Reports from the Boards of Missions were referred to the Committee on Missions.

5. Reports of the Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home, the Relief Society and the Sunday School Board were read and referred to the proper committees.

6. Other communications were received and referred to the Committee on Overtures.

ARTICLE VIII.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

The sessions of each day were opened and closed with devotional services. The Standing Committee on this subject presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Religious Services beg leave to make the following report:

Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock, devotional services, Rev. J. A. Koons. Opening sermon, Rev. J. C. Peeler, President of Classis. The Holy Communion, Revs. J. D. Andrew and Shuford Peeler. Thursday, 9 o'clock a. m., devotional services, Revs. M. Whitener and W. H. McNairy. Thursday, 8 o'clock, devotional services, Revs. J. B. Swartz and J. H. Keller. Addresses on Home Missions, Mr. J. S. Wise, of Philadelphia, Treasurer of the Board of Home Missions;

Rev. J. C. Leonard, D. D., member of the Board of Missions. Friday morning, 9 o'clock, devotional services, Revs. H. A. Fesperman and H. A. M. Holshouser. Friday evening, 8 o'clock, devotional services, Revs. C. C. Wagoner and G. E. Plott. Stereopticon Lectures on Foreign Missions, Rev. A. V. Casselman, of Philadelphia. Saturday morning, 8.30 o'clock, devotional services, Revs. L. A. Peeler and Licentiate F. B. Peck. Sunday morning at 11 o'clock sermon by Rev. A. V. Casselman.

Respectfully submitted,

C. W. WARLICK,
J. M. L. LYERLY,
J. J. CORRELL.

ARTICLE IX.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

The roll was called, and all ministers of Classis presented reports except F. L. Fesperman and S. W. Whitener.

The Constitutional questions were asked and the elders gave satisfactory answers. The reports were referred to the Committee on the State of the Church.

ARTICLE X.

MINUTES OF CLASSIS.

The committee presented the following report, which was considered by items and finally adopted as a whole:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on the Minutes of Classis beg leave to present the following items of unfinished business:

1. Page 9. a. Executive Committee. b. Sunday Schools. c. Missionary and Stewardship. d. Mrs. Rebecca Solliday Church Building Fund. e. George C. Solliday Beneficiary Education Fund. f. Trustees.

2. Page 19. The Hopewell interest was committed to Rev. G. E. Plott.

3. Page 19. Rev. C. C. Wagoner was appointed mediary between students and vacant charges.

4. Page 20. Staff of the Reformed Church Standard.

5. Page 20. The Second Church of Lexington was committed to the care of Rev. J. C. Leonard.

6. Page 20. Revs. D. E. Bowers, J. C. Peeler and Elder J. T. Hedrick continued as commissioners with power in the case of the Bethel church and parsonage property, High Point.

7. Page 21. The Stated Clerk was appointed Informant to General Synod's Board of Ministerial Relief.

8. Page 23. Rev. W. C. Lyerly was appointed supply for the Gilead Charge.

9. Page 23. Authority was given for the transfer of Bethel Church parsonage, High Point, to the authorities of the First Church, High Point. Also the payment of $1500 to the authorities of the Waughtown Church from the proceeds of the sale of the said Bethel Church of High Point.

10. Page 24. The Corresponding Secretary was instructed to convey to certain petitioners, the pastor and consistory of Grace Reformed Church, Faith Charge, the action of Classis concerning said parties.

11. Page 24. Revs. J. C. Leonard, W. W. Rowe and Elder Edgar Whitener were appointed a committee on the Historical Society of the Reformed Church.

12. Page 25. Revs. J. C. Leonard, J. C. Peeler and Elder J. T. Hedrick were appointed the Committee on Vacancy and Supply.

13. Page 26. Revs. J. C. Peeler, J. H. Keller and Elder Edgar Whitener were appointed the Committee on Social Service and Rural Work.

14. Page 30. Revs. S. J. Kirk, O. H. Sensenig and Elder D. T. Peeler were appointed the Committee on Religious Literature.

15. Page 31. The sum of $100 was appropriated to Catawba Charge to supplement the pastor's salary.

16. Page 31. The sum of $300 was appropriated to the Rockwell Charge to supplement the pastor's salary.

17. Page 52. Revs. J. A. Koons, S. J. Kirk and Elder G. C. Fisher were appointed the Committee on Temperance.

18. Page 58. Rev. W. C. Lyerly was made chairman of the Committee on the Forward Movement.

19. Page 58. The Corresponding Secretary was instructed to send a letter of kindly consideration to the Guilford Charge.

20. Page 58. The Fellowship Fund interest of Eastern Theological Seminary was intrusted to Rev. G. E. Plott and Elder J. W. Warlick.

21. Special. Rev. J. M. L .Lyerly was appointed supply for the Guilford Charge.

22. Special. The following were appointed a Committee on Necrology to report at the next annual meeting of Classis: Revs. J. C. Leonard, G. E. Plott and Elder E. V. McGee.

23. Special. The following were appointed to canvass the matter of securing a layman as Treasurer of Classis: Revs. J. H. Keller, W. W. Rowe and Elder R. P. Murphy.

24. Special. Rev. G. E. Plott and Elder J. T. Hedrick were appointed to audit the books of the late Treasurer.

25. Special. Revs. J. A. Palmer, H. A. Fesperman and Elder R. P. Murphy were appointed to install Rev. Milton Whitener pastor of the First Church, High Point.

26. Special. Revs. A. D. Wolfinger, H. G. Kopenhaver and Elder J. W. Warlick were appointed to supply the Catawba Charge.

27. Special. Revs. W. H. McNairy, J. C. Leonard and Elder G. C. Fisher were appointed to install Rev. H. A. M. Holshouser pastor of the Rockwell Charge.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. LEONARD,
W. H. McNAIRY,
R. B. McCOMBS.

The action on the several items follows.

1. The following reports were received and adopted:

(a) To the Reverend Classis:

The Executive Committee desire to offer the following report:

May 24, 1921, Rev. J. W. Bell was dismissed to Abingdon Presbytery, Apalachia Synod, Presbyterian Church U. S. The pastoral relation between Rev. R. E. Leinbach and the First Church of High Point was dissolved and the charge declared vacant. Rev. R. E. Leinbach was dismissed to Carlisle Classis, Potomac Synod.

October 7, 1921, the following report was received from the committee appointed to install Rev. D. R. Krebs pastor of the First Church of High Point, and adopted:

Your committee appointed to install Rev. D. R. Krebs pastor of the First Church of High Point beg leave to report that because of the

resignation of Brother Krebs the committee could not perform the duty assigned. Respectfully submitted,

J. C. LEONARD, Chairman.

The pastoral relationship not having been completed, the charge was declared vacant. Rev. D. R. Krebs was dismissed to Schuylkill Classis, Eastern Synod.

December 9, 1921, Rev. Milton Whitener was received from Gettysburg Classis, Potomac Synod. His call to the First Church of High Point was confirmed, and the following were appointed a committee to install him pastor: Revs. J. A. Palmer, H. A. Fesperman and Elder R. P. Murphy.

December 23, 1921, the pastoral relation between Rev. O. H. Sensenig and the Catawba Charge was dissolved. The following were appointed a Committee of Supply for the said charge: Revs. A. D. Wolfinger, H. G. Kopenhver and Elder J. W. Warlick. On the same date Harvey W. Black, Gurney Ray Peeler and John H. Causey were received under the care of Classis as students for the gospel ministry.

January 13, 1922, Rev. O. H. Sensenig was dismissed to Juniata Classis, Potomac Synod.

March 21, 1922, the call from the Rockwell Charge to Rev. H. A. M. Holshouser was confirmed, and the following were appointed a committee to install him pastor: Revs. W. H. McNairy, J. C. Leonard and Elder G. C. Fisher.

April 1, 1922, the pastoral relation between Rev. J. A. Ditzler and Grace Church, Newton, was dissolved and the charge declared vacant. Rev. J. A. Ditzler was dismissed to Somerset Classis, Pittsburgh Synod. Respectfully submitted,

J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

Revs. J. A. Palmer, J. C. Leonard and Elder E. A. Rothrock were constituted the Executive Committee.

(b) To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Dear Brethren:—In addition to the regular Classical statistical reports on Sunday School work there was placed in our hands a report from the Publication and Sunday School Board regarding the Reformed Church Messenger. This report states that but 8 per cent. of the families in the Classis are subscribers for the Messenger. There has been a loss of subscriptions in the Classis since October, 1921, amounting to 32. Since Dec. 15, 1921, there have been 25 subscriptions discontinued in the Classis. In view of these facts or conditions

we feel that the Classis should adopt the recommendation of the Publication and Sunday School Board, which is as follows:

1. That Classis appoint a Standing Committee on Religious Literature to urge upon pastors and consistories the importance of appointing Committees on Good Literature and to co-operate with the Messenger office in the observance of Church Paper Day, and that the names of this committee be forwarded to the Circulation Manager of the Messenger, G. W. Waidner, Reformed Church Building, 15th and Race streets, Philadelphia, Pa.

2. That each pastor and consistory be urged to appoint as early as possible a Committee on Good Literature, whose duty it shall be to co-operate with the Standing Committee of Classis and also with the Messenger office in the observance of Church Paper Day in the congregation. The names and addresses of the members of this committee shall be forwarded to the Standing Committee of Classis on Religious Literature and to the Circulation Manager of the Messenger, G. W. Waidner, Reformed Church Building, 15th and Race streets, Philadelphia, Pa.

3. We recommend the advisability of discussing the most suitable day for observing Good Literature Day in view of the fact that many congregations do not find the first Sunday in December the most suitable.

4. We note the recommendation of the Educational Department of the Publication Board with regard to Christian Home Fellowship, and we recommend that pastors and elders urge the heads of our families to consider and adopt the following pledge:

"Desiring to more fully meet my responsibilities as a Christian and to make my home a center of fellowship, I covenant with God to pray and read God's Word faithfully, and will endeavor to have my household join in family worship, in uplifting table talk, in discussing subjects from the weekly church paper, and in reading good literature."

5. We recommend that all of the Sunday Schools of Classis observe Children's Day and that the offering of the day be applied toward the apportionment of ten cents per member for Sunday School work.

6. We recommend, wherever possible, the inauguration of the Daily Vacation Bible Schools.

With regard to the Sunday School totals it may be noted that the total enrollment for the year is greater by 478 than the year previous.

The average attendance totals 359 more than the year previous. Four hundred and thirteen scholars were confirmed during the year. The contributions for benevolent objects shows a decline of $1350.

Respectfully submitted,

S. J. KIRK, Chairman.

The following were appointed the Committee on Sunday Schools: Revs. S. J. Kirk, B. J. Peeler and Elder B. S. Shuford.

The statistics will be found in the Appendix.

(c) To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Missionary and Stewardship Committee offer the following report: We have presented the Missionary and Stewardship interest of the Church through correspondence and the columns of the Standard. We have printed reports of all monies received from the several charges. On July 21 we called a special meeting of Classis to consider the Missionary and Stewardship interests. A general exchange of pulpits was arranged for the third Sunday in October, at which time a visiting minister and laymen presented the cause in every church.

The following churches have paid their apportionment in full: Grace, Newton; Corinth, Hickory; Salem; St. John's and St. Paul's, Kannapolis; First, Salisbury; Trinity, Concord; Mt. Zion and Landis; First, Charlote; Heidelberg, Thomasville; First and Second, Lexington; First, Greensboro; Lowerstone and Shiloh; Schlatter Memorial; Burlington; St. James'; Emanuel and Daniel's, Lincolnton; Ursinus; First, Waughtown; Lenoir; First, High Point; making a total of 25 churches compared with 31 last year. We paid $12,343.87 on apportionment this year over against $11,073.65 last year. In 1920 we paid 78 per cent. of the apportionmnt; for the last two years we have only paid about 67 per cent. With the exception of the specials, the apportionment represents all we do for the advancement of the kingdom outside of our local congregation. Our prayers for the coming of the kingdom will amount to very little until we are willing to back them up with the small sum of $2.71½ per member for the advancement of that kingdom. More money has come into the benevolent treasuries of the Church within the last two years than before, and yet we have gone backwards. Conditions in North Carolina are such as to demand our most prayerful attention. Every congregation within the Classis can pay the full apportionment if they wish to do it. Many should go far beyond that amount. Reference is made

to Corinth, Hickory, and Mt. Zion-Landis' support of missionaries. Other charges, that can do so, are challenged to assume special work of this kind.

We wonder if we ministers are telling the people of their duty to God to pay to Him a tithe of all that we possess? But the minister is not entirely to blame for the present state of affairs. Some people just will not respond. It is mockery for some church members to sing, "All to Jesus I surrender," and to continue to cast such small offerings into His treasuries.

Your committee has nothing new to recommend. We just wish to reiterate the following recommendations:

1. That pastors be requested to continue to present the suoject of Stewardship to their people and at least once a year call upon them to pledge themselves to become tithers, working to the goal of a tithing Church in the near future.

2. That pastors and consistories be requested to make the Every-Member Canvass at least once a year and use the duplex envelopes.

3. That all benevolent monies be sent to the Treasurer of Classis monthly, if possible, and if not, quarterly.

Attention is called to the expiration of the term of office of Elder J. T. Plott, as a member of the committee; also to the fact that Rev. J. A. Ditzler, the second member of the committee, has moved from our midst.

The expenses of the committee for postage and stationery were $2.20.

Respectfully submitted,

L. A. PEELER,
J. T. PLOTT.

The vacancies were referred to the Committee on Nominations and the expense item to the Treasurer.

(d) To the Classis of North Carolina:

The Rebecca Solliday Church Building Fund Committee beg leave to report that the following are the outstanding loans of this fund:

Loan to Charlotte	$1000 00
Loan to Charlotte	750 00
Loan to Thomasville	900 00
Loan to Schlatter Memorial	400 00
Total loans	$3050 00

The details of this fund are found in the report of the Treasurer of Catawba College.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. ROWE,
H. A. FESPERMAN,
J. M. L. LYERLY,
J. B. LEONARD.

The vacancy was referred to the Committee on Nominations.

(e) To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on the Solliday Beneficiary Fund beg leave to make the following report:

There are twelve young men under the care of this Classis. Nine of these have receivd aid during the past year. Those receiving aid and under the care of Classis are classified as follows:

Catawba College.

Thomas R. Safrit (Sophomore)	$100 00
Sidney Safrit (Sophomore)	100 00
Hoy L. Fesperman (Sophomore)	100 00
Charlie E. Hiatt (Sophomore)	100 00
Fred R. Sowers (Sophomore)	100 00
John Causey (Freshman)	100 00
Harvey W. Black (Senior)	Nothing
Gurney Peeler (Fourth Prep.)	Nothing

Central Seminary.

Banks J. Peeler (Senior)	$ 100 00
Felix B. Peck (Senior)	100 00
O. Bain Michael (Middler)	100 00
A. Odell Leonard (Senior)	Nothing

Student Gurney Peeler was unable to continue his work during the year on account of sickness, but he is planning to return this coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. ROWE,
A. D. WOLFINGER,
J. B. LEONARD.

This committee was continued.

(f) To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your Trustees beg leave to make the following report: There is in our possession five and one-fourth acres of land of St. Peter's

church property and $135.10. There is nothing further to report concerning Mt. Bethel, Blowing Rock.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. ROWE,
T. L. HUNSUCKER,
J. A. PROPST.

The Trustees were re-elected.

2. To Classis of North Carolina:

Dear Brethren:—During the past year a Sunday School has been conducted regularly at Hopewell and preaching services held at intervals.

Respectfully submitted,

G. E. PLOTT.

The Hopewell interest was continued in the care of Rev. G. E. Plott.

3. To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your mediary between students and vacant charges begs leave to report that, since the Executive Committee of Classis is a Standing Committee on Vacancy and Supply, he has referred matters coming before him to it. We recommend that this work be left in the hands of the Executive Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. WAGONER.

4. As Business Manager of the Standard I make the following report: We printed the Standard twice each month since the last meeting of Classis. We carried the advertisement of Catawba College free, as instructed.

Financial Statement.

May 1, 1921, balance on hand	$ 46 96
On subscription	75
From Treasurer of Classis	700 00
Total	$747 71
Paid for printing paper	$669 60
General expenses	27 98
Total	$697 58
Balance on hand May 1, 1922	50 13

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. McNAIRY.

The vacancies were referred to the Committee on Nominations.

5. To the Reverend Classis:

As stated supply for the Second Church of Lexington I beg leave to report that I have given attention to this important work as time would permit. During the summer vacation I had the assistance of Student A. Odell Leonard. Later for several weeks Rev. C. W. Warlick was associated with me. I had also the assistance of several laymen in and outside of the Second Church. The church, Sunday School and other organizations are in a healthy condition. During this year the Nokomis Cotton Mill Company is donating the sum of $600 to be used mainly in helping to secure a parsonage for the church. This company continues to donate electric current for the lighting of the church. The Lexington Chair Company has been contributing $60 a year for several years towards the support of the church, and is continuing this contribution this year. The Board of Missions has enrolled this church as a mission, and has commissioned Student A. Odell Leonard for the work, the congregation also having elected him by unanimous vote. He will take charge immediately following this annual meeting of Classis.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. LEONARD.

6. To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your commission appointed to dispose of the Bethel Church property, High Point, would report that in compliance with the action of Classis at its last annual meeting, the parsonage was deeded to First Church, High Point, and a deed was made to the M. P. Church for the church property. The terms stipulated by the Classis were complied with.

We submit the following financial report:

Receipts—

Rent of parsonage	$ 150 00	
Bethel S. S. Treasury	16 32	
On church property, June 28, 1921	1000 00	
Interest	1 58	
On church property, Feb. 11, 1922	1000 00	
Interest	90 00	
		$2257 90

Disbursements—		
Advertising sale of property	$ 1 68	
Postage	60	
Repairs on church	13 00	
Street assessment	15 96	
Notary fee	25	
J. S. Wise, Treas. H. M. Board (note)	832 00	
Revenue Stamps	4 00	
		$ 867 49
Balance		$1390 41
Balance due from M. P. Church		2000 00

We would call the attention of Classis to the vacancy on the Commission through the death of Bro. D. E. Bowers.

J. C. PEELER,
J. T. HEDRICK.

The Commission was continued with Elder Jno. W. Hedrick substituted for Rev. D. E. Bowers, deceased.

7. To the Reverend Classis:

In the capacity of Informant to the Board of Ministerial Relief I have kept in touch with the situation in our Classis. We now have on the rolls of this Board as beneficiaries one minister and two widows of ministers. Respectfully submitted,

J. C. LEONARD.

The Stated Clerk was appointed Informant.

8. The parochial report of the Guilford Charge was read. Rev. W. C. Lyerly was appointed stated supply for this charge.

9. The Bethel Church parsonage has been transferred to the First Church of High Point; the payment of $1500 to the Waughtown Church has not yet been made.

10. To the Reverend Classis:

The Corresponding Secretary begs leave to report the duty attend-

SHUFORD PEELER..

11. To the Reverend Classis:

Your Committee to co-operate with the Historical Society beg leave to report that we have transmitted to the officers of this society such documents as have come into our hands suitable for this purpose.

We wish to remind the members of Classis that this society appreciates the receipt of books, tracts and pamphlets of a historical character.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. LEONARD, Chairman.

The following were appointed in this capacity for the coming year: Revs. J. C. Leonard, W. W. Rowe, Elder J. J. Correll.

12. To the Reverend Classis:

Your Committee on Vacancy and Supply beg leave to report that we have tried conscientiously to carry out the duties assigned to us. We have been very much gratified at the success with which our labors have been blessed. The records of this year will show that several pastoral relationships have been formed. We trust that great good will come to these several charges and to the whole Classis.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. LEONARD.

The Executive Committee was constituted the Committee on Vacancy and Supply.

13. To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Social Service and Rural Work would report that no active work has been done in the Classis during the year. Perhaps our greatest field lies in the rural church work. The committee contemplated making a survey of these churches during the year, but on account of so many of them being vacant the matter was delayed. This should be done in the near future.

Your committee was also in direct touch with the work of the Commission. It is very likely that a Rural Work Secretary will be put in the field at an early date. The work of the Commission thus far has been directed toward the laying of the foundation of the work. It is hoped that some concrete plans will be put into operation in the near future.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. PEELER,
J. H. KELLER,
EDGAR WHITENER.

Revs. J. C. Peeler, J. H. Keller and Elder Jno. W. Hedrick were appointed on this committee.

14. To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Permanent Committee on Sunday Schools, which was made the Committee on Religious Literature, must report with regret that

we overlooked the fact that we had been entrusted with this duty and that, therefore, nothing has been done by the committee.

Respectfully submitted,

S. J. KIRK.

The Committee on Religious Literature consists of Revs. S. J. Kirk, B. J. Peeler and Elder B. S. Shuford.

15. A pro rata share of the sum was paid.

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17. To the Reverend Classis:

Your Committee on Temperance beg leave to report that we have co-operated with the Prohibition forces and Anti-Saloon League and rendered service wherever possible.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. KOONS,
GEO. C. FISHER,
S. J. KIRK.

The Comittee on Temperance consists of Revs. J. A. Koons, S. J. Kirk and Elder J. J. Correll.

18. To the Classis of North Carolina:

The Permanent Committee on Forward Movement submit the following report and recomendations:

Your committee held one meeting in the First Reformed Church of Lexington, March 9. There were present at the meeting Elder J. Q. Truxal, Fin. Sec. of the Forward Movement and member of the Board of Foreign Misions; Dr. J. C. Leonard, member of the Board of Home Missions; Dr. J. W. Meminger, Secretary of the Board of Ministerial Relief and Sustentation; Revs. J. C. Peeler, G. E. Plott, H. A. Fesperman, J. D. Andrew and J. A. Palmer, Elders D. L. Brinkley and K. L. Long. A general review of the status in each congregation revealed that the Classis was in arrears in collecting Forward Movement pledges. The Classis would be due to pay 35 per cent by April 1, while the actual receipts of the Treasurer, Mr. Paisley, showed less than 21 per cent. Feb. 28. An itinerary for Elder Truxal was planned. He reached many of our churches, Forward Movement Treasurers and pastors. The chairman was instructed to publish in the Standard the amount subscribed by each congregation, the amount paid by each congregation and the amount due by each congregation April 1.

Your committee would recommend the following:

1. That each congregation in this Classis designate one Sunday in November and one Sunday in April as Forward Movement Sundays. On these Sundays the officers of the church, members of the Forward Movement Committee, and any others who will, assist the Treasurer to gather in the funds that are due at that time. The Treasurer may mail statement to each subscriber of his standing at that time, or notify him personally.

2. That each Forward Movement Treasurer be requested to place in the duplex envelope cartons a Forward Movment envelope in the following order: For the first Sunday in July, in October, in January, and in April.

3. That Forward Movement Treasurers be requested to remit money monthly.

4. That congregations make a special effort to meet their full quota due June 30, 1922, the end of the second year.

In the column in Blank No. 1, statistical reports, last year the reports indicated that $34,360 was paid on the Forward Movement for the Classical year. This year the reports total $16,235 for the Classical year. This is not as it should be. There are many people who could pay. There may be some people who are embarrassed and do not have the money to pay at the present time. We need to keep up the morale of our people. We need to lay upon their hearts the sacred responsibility and duty to be honest with the Lord's work. We need to quicken the spiritual life. Good religion makes a people honest and gives them the incentive and love to fulfill their obligations to the fullest extent of their ability.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. LYERLY,
J. T. PLOTT,
J. T. HEDRICK.

The following were appointed the Forward Movement Committee: Rev. W. C. Lyerly, Messrs. J. B. Leonard, J. W. Peeler, H. E. Shoaf, J. T. Hedrick, J. T. Plott.

The Corresponding Secretary was instructed to convey the above action to all our Forward Movement Treasurers and pastors.

19. To the Reverend Classis:

The Corresponding Secretary begs leave to report the duty duly attended to.

Respectfully submitted,
SHUFORD PEELER.

20. To the Classis:

Your Committee on the Fellowship Fund of Potomac Synod beg leave to report that nothing has been done.

Respectfully submitted,
G. E. PLOTT,
L. A. PEELER.

21. Dear Brethren:—

As appointed supply for the Guilford Charge I beg to advise that I supplied Mt. Hope the entire Classical year, and Brick Church from the first of October; also St. Mark's for the seven months from Oct. 1 to May 1. I tried to get to Fairwiew several times, but succeeded only once. This was due to the road construction in this part, so that it was really impracticable to make regular appointments here.

I am attaching herewith an itemized statement as to the receipts and disbursements connected with this supply. I trust that Classis will see the wisdom of giving this part its proper attention.

Account With Guilford Charge from Oct. 1, 1921, to May 1, 1922.

Received from Mt. Hope for 7 months		$262 00
Expense 14 trips ($4.04)	$ 56 56	
Received from Brick Church		25 57
Received from St. Mark's		39 73
Expense 15 trips ($5.10)	76 50	
Totals	$133 06	$327 30

Respectfully submitted,
J. M. L. LYERLY.

The Treasurer of Classis was instructed to pay to Rev. J. M. L. Lyerly out of the Sustentation Fund the sum of $350.00 for his services as stated supply of the Guilford Charge.

The Guilford Charge was referred to the Committee on Missions.

22. The report of the Committee on Necrology will be found under the Article on the subject.

23. To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee appointed to seek a layman to serve as Treasurer of Classis beg leave to report that J. E. Correll, of China Grove, agrees to accept the place, provided no other suitable man is available.

Respectfully submitted,
J. H. KELLER, Chairman.

This report was referred to the Committee on Nominations.

24. To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee on auditing the books of the late Treasurer, Rev. D. E. Bowers, beg leave to report that we attended to the duty assigned, and that the sum of $1775.94 was found to be in the treasury.

Respectfully submitted,
G. E. PLOTT,
J. T. HEDRICK.

25. To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee appointed to install Rev. Milton Whitener pastor of First Reformed Church, High Point, beg leave to report this matter attended to Sunday evening, Jan. 1, 1922, with two members of the committee present.

J. A. PALMER,
H. A. FESPERMAN.

26. The Committee of Supply for the Catawba Charge failed to report to Classis.

27. Your Committee on the Installation of Rev. H. A. M. Holshouser as pastor of the Rockwell Charge report that the duty was performed on April 2, 1922, at Rockwell, the entire committee being present and taking part in the service.

Respectfully submitted,
W. H. McNAIRY,
J. C. LEONARD,
G. C. FISHER.

ARTICLE XI.

OVERTURES.

The following report was received, considered by items, and finally adopted as a whole:

Your Committee on Overtures beg leave to report the following:

1. Certificate of dismission of Rev. Charles W. Warlick from the Juniata Classis, Potomac Synod, to North Carolina Classis. We recommend his reception.

2. Request from the Gilead Charge asking that Rev. W. C. Lyerly be continued as stated supply for another year, in harmony with previous arrangements with Trinity Church, Concord. The charge agrees to pay $650.00 in quarterly payments for his support. We recommend that the request be granted.

3. Request from the Rockwell Charge for $300 sustentation for the coming year. We recommend that the request be referred to the Committee on Missions.

4. Request from the Shiloh Congregation, Faith Charge, for $1500.00 on new church building. We recommend the request be referred to the Committee on Missions.

5. Request from Hedrick's Grove Congregation, Lower Davidson Charge, for $1000 on new church building. We recommend that the request be referred to the Committee on Missions.

6. Notice of the reception of Rev. O. H. Sensenig by Juniata Classis, Potomac Synod. We recommend the adoption of the item.

7. Notice from Rev. J. H. Shuford asking that he be excused from attendance upon the sessions of Classis. We recommend that the request be granted.

8. Notice from Rev. A. Klinger asking that he be excused from attendance upon the sessions of Classis, and that permission be given to devote part of his time to secular work. We recommend that the request be granted.

9. Report of Student O. B. Michael. We recommend the adoption of the item.

10. Request from Rev. M. L. Hedrick that he be excused from attendance upon the sessions of Classis. We recommend that the request be granted.

11. Request from Rev. H. E. Sechler that he be dismissed to the Los Angeles Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. We recommend that the request be granted.

12. Request from the Joint Consistory of the Gilead Charge asking the assistance of Classis in securing a pastor. We recommend that the request be referred to the Committee on Missions.

13. An overture from the parochial report of the supply pastor of the Guilford Charge looking to the advisibility of disposing of the Fairview Church property and relocating at Gibsonville. We recommend that the matter be referred to the Committee on Missions.

14. Request from Rev. L. A. Peeler asking that the Corresponding Secretary write all Secretaries of consistories and Sunday School Superintendents urging upon them the importance of sending delegates to the Summer Conference July 15-21. We recommend the adoption of the item.

15. A call from the Waughtown Charge to Rev. J. M. L. Lyerly and acceptance of the same. We recommend that the call be confirmed and a Committee of Installation appointed.

16. A call from the Bear Creek Charge to Rev. C. W. Warlick and acceptance of same. We recommend that the call be confirmed and a Committee of Installation appointed.

17. An announcement of the Summer School at the Theological Seminary at Lancaster, Pa., from July 10 to 21. We recommend this school to the favorable consideration of our pastors.

18. A request from the Board of Ministerial Relief to earnestly consider the advisability of enrolling all its active ministers and missionaries under the age of 60 years in the Sustentation Fund of the Board of Ministerial Relief. We recommend that the request be referred to a committee composed of all the elders of Classis, with John W. Hedrick as chairman.

19. An invitation from the First Reformed Church, Charlotte, N. C., for the next annual meeting of Classis. We recommend that the invitation be accepted.

20. A request from Mt. Hope Church, Faith Charge, relative to the further services of Rev. H. A. Welker. We recommend that the matter be referred to a special committee.

21. Request from the Joint Committee of the Catawba Charge for $750.00 sustentation. We recommend that the request be referred to the Committee on Missions.

22. Reports from Students Peck, Leonard, Peeler, Hiatt, Safrit, Fesperman, Sidney Safrit, Black, Causey, Sowers, reporting passing grades on the part of all and high grades by some, and expressing gratitude for financial aid received. We recommend the adoption of the item.

23. Request from Wm. C. Shaw for examination and licensure to the gospel ministry. We recommend the request be referred to the Committee on Examination and Licensure.

24. A call from the Second Church, Lexington, to Licentiate A. O. Leonard and acceptance of same. We recommend that the call be confirmed and a Committee on Ordination and Installation be appointed.

25. A call from the Lincolnton Charge to Licentiate Banks J. Peeler and acceptance of same. We recommend that the call be confirmed and a Committee on Ordination and Installation be appointed.

26. A request from Licentiate Felix B. Peck for dismission to Maryland Classis, Synod of the Potomac. We recommend that the request be granted.

Respectfully submitted,
H. A. FESPERMAN,
J. M. L. LYERLY,
J. W. BOWERS.

Revs. J. A. Palmer, G. E. Plott and Elder J. M. Nifong were appointed to install Rev. J. M. L. Lyerly pastor of the Waughtown Charge.

Revs. W. C. Lyerly, H. A. M. Holshouser and Elder J. B. McCombs were appointed to install Rev. C. W. Warlick pastor of the Bear Creek Charge.

The Committee of Elders under Item 18 presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

The Committee on Ministerial Relief and Sustentation recommend the enrollment of all the active pastors and missionaries of Classis under the age of 60 years, and that ten cents per member be apportioned through the Contingent Fund column to cover the annual premium.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN W. HEDRICK, Chairman.

The Classis took the following supplementary action:

Resolved, That the Trustees of Catawba College and the Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home be requested to take care of the ministers connected with those institutions in the same way that the Classis insures its pastors through General Synod's Board of Ministerial Relief and Sustentation.

Under Item 19 the First Reformed Church of Charlotte was selected as the place and Tuesday evening, May 8, 1923, at 8 o'clock as the time of the next annual meeting of Classis.

The following were appointed the special committee called for in the action under Item 20: Revs. Shuford Peeler, A. S. Peeler and Elder John W. Hedrick.

The following were appointed to ordain Licentiate A. Odell Leonard and install him pastor of the Second Reformed Church of Lexington: Revs. J. C. Leonard, J. C. Peeler and Elder E. A. Rothrock.

Revs. W. W. Rowe, A. D. Wolfinger and Elder A. L. Shuford were appointed to ordain Licentiate Banks J. Peeler and install him pastor of the Lincolnton Charge.

ARTICLE XII.

DELEGATES TO POTOMAC AND GENERAL SYNODS.

All the ministers and the elder from each pastoral charge constitute the delegates to the Synod of Potomac, which meets in general convention.

The Classis elected the following delegates to the next General Synod:

Ministers: Primarii—Jacob C. Leonard, D. D., Jacob A. Palmer, John C. Peeler, Harvey A. Fesperman; Secundi—C. Columbus Wagoner, James D. Andrew, J. M. Luther Lyerly, G. Ermine Plott.

Elders: Primarii—John T. Plott, John W. Hedrick, Byron S. Shuford, Jacob O. Moose; Secundi — John R. Hoffman, Esq., Edwin A. Rothrock, Fred O. Leonard, John W. Bowers.

ARTICLE XIII.

MINUTES OF POTOMAC SYNOD.

The following is the report of the Committee on the Minutes of Potomac Synod, which was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on the Minutes of Potomac Synod beg leave to submit the following report:

We have the Minutes of the 49th annual sessions held in Bedford, Pa., Oct. 24, 1921.

Item 1. Attendance at Synod. Page 13.

The following members of Classis attended: Ministers—John H. Keller, Walter W. Rowe, Shuford Peeler, W. C. Lyerly, H. A. Welker, A. D. Wolfinger, O. H. Sensenig, John A. Ditzler.

No elders were present.

Item 2. The Forward Movement. Page 31.

a. Synod rejoices in the leadership of the Forward Movement and expresses confidence in the continued ideals and the purpose to carry the whole program through the whole Church.

b. Synod calls attention that the Forward Movement is the united appeal of all the interests of the Church, for all the causes of the Church, to all the people of the Church, leading us to a newly consecrated zeal to use all our resources to meet the world's needs of today.

c. Synod endorses the action of the Commission in continuing on part time all the members of the executive staff, and through them keep before the Church the vital activities of the several departments.

d. Synod urges Classis to hold Ministerial Retreats and Group Conferences to further the necessary preparation, courage and will to meet all these claims upon the Church.

Item 3. Historical Society. Page 32.

The Historical Society recommends that all the members of Synod help in securing material of historic value, and that a history of the last 50 years of the Synod of the Potomac be prepared and complete the work in time for the 50th anniversary of the organization of the Synod at our coming meeting in the fall of 1923.

Item 4. Apportionment. Page 33.

Synod accepts the apportionment of General Synod and recommends to the Classis to pay annually per communicant member:

a. For Foreign Missions	80c.
b. For Home Missions	80c.
c. For Ministerial Relief	15c.
d. For Publication and Sunday School Work	10c.
e. For General Synod Contingent	05c.

Synod apportions to this Classis the following amounts:

a. Historical Society	$ 13 00
b. Potomac Synod Contingent	208 00

c. Beneficiary Education	1300 00
d. Ministerial Sustentation	104 00
e. Theological Seminary	715 00

Item 5. Educational Institutions. Page 39.

The reports from the various educational institutions should bring cheer to the hearts of all loyal members of the Reformed Church. Attention is called to the fact that no one should lose sight of the fact that the full payment of the Forward Movement Fund is absolutely necessary for more and better work to be done by our institutions of learning.

The work of Catawba College was recognized and commended in the following respects:

a. Synod is appreciative of the fact that there is something distinctive in the work of Catawba College in that it is located in mission territory, and that calls for large support beyond the bounds of the Classis.

b. Synod rejoices over the large number of ministerial students at Catawba College.

c. The need of material equipment is recognized at Catawba College, and friends are urged to consider the matter of erecting memorial buildings at this place.

d. Synod commends the fine spirit of Mr. J. T. Hedrick for his gift of $10,000, the income of which is to be allotted to twelve students, $50 each.

e. The necessity of co-operation on the part of all in raising funds for current expenses until the endowment is sufficient to meet the needs.

Item 6. Board of Education. Page 60.

The Board of Education is assisting 33 students for the ministry, the total amount paid them being $8100.

a. In order that this work may be continued, Classis is urged to pay the apportionment in full.

b. Pastors and consistories are urged to release as early as possible funds set apart for this purpose.

Item 7. Home Missions. Page 66.

The Home Mission work in all its departments was endorsed and commended by the Synod.

a. Synod rejoices in the abundant evidence of God's guidance in the Home Mission fields.

b. The observance of Home Mission Day in November is urged.

c. The holding of Missionary Conferences for the training of our young people is commended.

d. Daily Vacation Bible Schools urged.

e. Pastors and consistories urged to pay apportionment for Home Missions in full.

f. Synod heartily endorses the expansion of our Home Missionary work among Jews, foreigners and negroes.

Item 8. Foreign Missions. Page 72.

Synod expresses her gratitude to the Board and missionaries for faithfulness in labor. Synod calls attention to:

a. Observance of Foreign Mission Day in February.

b. Importance of paying full apportionment.

c. Synod approves of the conferences with other Boards looking toward closer union in missionary work.

Item 9. Publication and Sunday Schools. Pages 86-87.

Synod recommends to Classis:

a. To buy supplies from the Board.

b. The purchase of the new Hymnal.

c. Commends through Classis and consistories The Reformed Church Review.

d. The importance of observing Church Paper Day in December.

e. The appointment of a Standing Committee on Religious Literature.

f. That entire offering on Children's Day be given to Board and that the offering be not less than 10 cents per member.

g. Accuracy in compiling statistical reports.

h. Advancement of Sunday School work is to be inaugurated in all churches.

Item 10. Benevolent Institutions. Pages 98-99.

Synod recommends the following:

a. An apportionment of 15 cents per member for Ministerial Relief.

b. The appointment of an Informant to the Board, and to see that the work of Ministerial Relief be presented to each congregation.

c. That a day be set apart in November for presentation of the subject of Ministerial Relief to the congregations.

d. Classes urged to enroll their ministers in the Sustentation Department.

e. Synod adopted a recommendation offered by the Committee of Elders to the effect that $1500 and parsonage be the minimum standard of salary sought to be made effective within the Synod of the Potomac.

Orphans' Homes reported that much progress has been made during this year. Financial condition good.

Nazareth Orphans' Home in need of a girls' building and is commended to the attention of the members of our churches.

Item 11. Young People's Societies. Page 104.

A Young People's Department has been established by the Publication and S. S. Board, and Miss Catherine A. Miller is Secretary of the Young People's Department. Synod urges upon Classis:

a. Observance of Young People's Day on the second Sunday in October.

b. The organization of Young People's Classes for the purpose of recruiting the Sunday School and catechetical classes.

Item 12. Missionary and Stewardship. Page 107.

Classes are requested to hold special meetings to consider the challenge of the apportionment. Synod urges that every congregation become enrolled as a 100 per cent. congregation in paying the apportionment.

Item 13. Trustees of Catawba College.

Synod nominated for Trustees of Catawba College: Rev. John A. Ditzler, M. A. Foil, M. D., J. T. Hedrick, Rev. John H. Keller, Herbert E. Rowe, M. D., Edgar Whitener.

Item 14. Next annual meeting of the Synod. Page 114.

The 50th annual meeting of the Synod of the Potomac will convene in Zion Reformed church, York, Pa., on Monday, Oct. 23, 1922, at 8 o'clock p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

SHUFORD PEELER,
H. A. WELKER,
W. A. BECK.

ARTICLE XIV.

MISSIONS.

The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Missions beg leave to present the following report:

The following papers have come into our hands:

1. The Annual Statement of the Board of Home Missions.

2. The Annual Statement of the Board of Foreign Missions.

3. A letter from the Department of Missionary Education.

4. A letter from the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee of the General Synod.

5. A reference of the Mt. Bethel Mission at Blowing Rock and the work among the mountain whites.

6. A part of the parochial report of the stated supply of the Guilford Charge.

7. A request from the Hedrick's Grove Congregation of the Lower Davidson Charge for aid in completion of a modern church; the amount asked is $1000.

8. A request from the Shiloh Congregation of the Faith Charge for aid in roofing the new church building; the amount asked is $1500.

9. A request from the Rockwell Charge for sustentation to the amount of $300.00 for regular pastor.

10. A request from the Catawba Charge for sustentation to the amount of $750.00 for regular pastor.

11. A request from the Gilead Charge for future care.

On the basis of the facts contained in the reports and requests we make the following notes and recommendations:

1. We rejoice in the Forward Movement in the work of Home Missions.

2. We note the reception of the two Classes from the Reformed Church of Hungary with 28 congregations and a membership of 5288. The Reformed Church has more than one-half of the Protestant Hungarians in the United States.

3. We note with pleasure that 52 Church Building Funds were contributed this year.

4. We recommend that the full apportionment for Home Missions be paid for the maintenance of the regular work.

5. We recommend that Home Mission Day be held November 12, 1922, or some Sunday in November, and that the offerings be given for "The A. C. Whitmer Memorial Church Building Fund."

6. We note the Forward Movement progress of our Missions in Japan and China.

7. We note that new missionaries have sailed and others are under appointment for the foreign field.

8. We note the purchase of valuable properties, the erection of homes and chapels and the rebuilding of North Japan Collge.

9. We recommend the payment of the full apportionment for Foreign Missions for the maintenance of the present work.

10. We recommend the observance of Foreign Mission Day Feb. 11, 1923, or some Sunday in February, and special offerings for the cause.

11. We recommend that the congregations promote Missionary Education; that they send delegates to the Summer Missionary Conference at Catawba College.

12. We recommend the "Outlook of Missions" as the missionary magazine for all our families.

13. We recommend the work of the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee and respectfully urge all congregations to adopt and adapt their principles of work.

14. We recommend that the Mt. Bethel Mission be dropped.

15. We recommend that the church at Whitsett and the interest at Gibsonville be left to the following commissioners with power of attorney: Rev. H. A. Fesperman, Elder J. T. Plott and Elder J. R. Hoffman. We recommend that this committee be given power to dissolve the congregation if the members so desire, and sell the property if in their judgment they deem it wise. This committee shall investigate the field at Gibsonville and report at the next annual meeting of Classis, or at a special meeting if deemed necessary.

16. a. We recommend that the request of the Hedrick's Grove Congregation for $1000 be granted. The Treasurer of Classis is to borrow the money, pay it to the Treasurer of the congregation.

The congregation is to pay the interest until Classis is able to raise the money.

b. We recommend that the request of the Shiloh Congregation for $1500 be granted. The Treasurer of Classis is to borrow the money, pay it to the Treasurer of the congregation. The congregation is to pay the interest until the Classis is able to raise the money. The Classis in liquidating these requests is to give to each congregation proportionate reductions.

18. We recommend that the request from the Rockwell Charge for $300.00 sustentation be granted for a regular pastor.

19. Concerning the request of the Catawba Charge we recommend the following: That we appropriate the sum of $500.00 to supplement the salary in the Catawba Charge, a proportional part to be applied to student supply for the summer; $300.00 to be apportioned this year and $200 to be paid out of sums now on hand; the Board of Ministerial Sustentation also to be asked to assume such sum as to them may seem reasonable, in order to secure a regular pastor.

20. We recommend that the request of the Gilead Charge be entrusted to the Commission on Social Service and Rural Work.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. LYERLY,
J. D. ANDREW,
M. G. LENTZ.

ARTICLE XV.

NOMINATIONS.

The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Nominations beg leave to recommend the following:

Rebecca Solliday Church Building Fund Cimmittee for 3 years: Rev. H. A. Fesperman.

Staff of the Reformed Church Standard: Editor—Rev. W. W. Rowe; Business Manager—Rev. W. H. McNairy; Associate Editors—Revs. B. J. Peeler, W. C. Lyerly, G. E. Plott.

Board of Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home: Rev. W. H. McNairy, Mr. B. S. Shuford, Mr. George Moose.

Missionary and Stewardship Committee: Mr. John W. Hedrick for 3 years, Rev. J. A. Koons for 1 year; Auxiliary to this committee:

Rev. B. J. Peeler, Elder A. L. Shuford, Rev. W. C. Lyerly, Elder M. G. Lentz, Rev. J. C. Peeler, Elder J. T. Plott.

Trustees of Catawba College: Rev. J. A. Ditzler, Dr. M. A. Foil, Elder J. T. Hedrick, Rev. J. H. Keller, Dr. H. E. Rowe, Elder Edgar Whitener.

Treasurer of Classis: Rev. G. E. Plott.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. KELLER,
H. A. WELKER,
E. D. FOX.

ARTICLE XVI.

STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The Committee on the State of the Church offered the folling report, which was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Dear Fathers and Brethren:—Your Committee on Religion and Statistics have received reports from the various pastors and charges of the Classis. These reports have been carefully examined and the reports tabulated. An expression to God for His wonderful goodness was voiced with one accord. It is interesting to note the many evidences of activity and progress. There has been a healthy numerical growth, and all departments of the work show progress. We note with pleasure the many new churches being built and other improvements. St. John's, Kannapolis, Beulah of Upper Davidson and St. Mark's, Guilford, have been completed and dedicated during the year. Splendid churches are under construction at Faith and Hedrick's Grove, and will be completed in the near future. St. Matthew's has been dedicated. Calvary has been remodeled, adding considerably to its equipment and appearance. First, Lexington; Trinity, Concord, and Emanuel contemplate building in the near future. The Murphy Memorial Congregation was organized with 18 members. First Church, High Point, has purchased a parsonage, and the Lower Davidson Charge has a splendid new parsonage under construction. First, Charlotte, has installed a pipe organ.

All these material evidences indicate the great onward movement of our Church, in providing equipment, that the work of the Kingdom may be developed.

Death has claimed one of our beloved ministers during the year, Rev. David E. Bowers. We note with keen sorrow the affliction of one of the fathers in Israel, Dr. Paul Barringer, and extend our deepest sympathy to this dear brother and his family.

The following elders have passed to their reward since our last meeting: Julius Schrum, G. A. Ramseur, R. H. Thomason, F. M. Holshouser, J. Wiley Cook and Robert L. Leonard.

May we go forward to the work of another year in the spirit of the Master, remembering that we can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth us.

J. C. PEELER,
S. J. KIRK,
J. W. HEDRICK.

The statistics will be found in the Appendix.

ARTICLE XVII.

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING.

The next annual meeting of the Classis of North Carolina will be held in the First Reformed Church, Charlotte, N. C., Tuesday evening, May 8, A. D. 1923, at 8 o'clock.

ARTICLE XVIII.

EDUCATION.

Report of the Trustees of Catawba College.

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

As President of the Board of Trustees of Catawba College, I present the following report:

At the annual meeting of the Board in May, 1921, the following officers were elected for the current year: President, C. M. Rowe; Vice President, George Moose; Secretary, Dr. H. E. Rowe; Treasurer, Clarence Clapp.

The enrollment for the current year is 189, classified as follows: Seniors, 8; Juniors, 3; Sophomores, 16; Freshmen, 28. The Academy has an enrollment of 58: Business, 15; Music, 45; Expression, 10; Art, 6. The graduates for the year are: College, 8; Academy, 10; Special Departments, 4. Six states are represented and six denominations, with 53 members of the Reformed Church. There are at present eight young men enrolled as students for the ministry.

The work of the year was carried on without interruption.

The question which confronts Catawba College is a financial one. This is not a new question, but one which must now be faced and disposed of. Upon this subject the Board at the annual meeting is likely to take some decisive action.

The action of this Board on the plan to raise the deficit money may have been good in intention, but in results it is disappointing. Had the action of last year been carried out, we would have no deficit this year. So far as we are able to see, it is the prevailing opinion to raise the standard of the institution by providing adequate equipment. How this shall be done, what agency to employ in securing necessary funds, may be left to the Board and through them to report to this Classis at a subsequent date.

It may be noted that the present year has been an excepionally good one from the standpoint of an efficient faculty, the number and type of students. The administrative responsibility has been faithfully met.

If on the basis of this report this body is disposed to take any advisory action for consideration by the Board of Trustees, May 22-23, I am sure said Board will cordially receive such action.

The points challenging serious attention are:

1. A direct movement for equipment.
2. A campaign for additional endowment.
3. The employment of a proper agency to push the program.

C. M. ROWE,
President of the Board.

Report of the Treasurer of Catawba College.

Receipts—

To cash on hand, General Fund, May 20, 1921	$ 1903	14
" Loans	800	00
" Loans, Forward Movement	2316	64
" Interest	2772	50
" Catawba College League	1287	40
" North Carolina Classis	1095	37
" Book Account	1615	93
" College Bills	15702	19
" College Bills, J. T. Hedrick Scholarships	600	00
" Rents	200	00
" Fuel	190	04
Total	$28483	21

Disbursements—

By Cash Interest and Revenue			$ 656 51
" Insurance			94 50
" Canvassing and Traveling Expenses			52 89
" Advertising and Printing			684 59
" Provisions			2602 86
" Freight, Drayage and Express			1055 90
" Labor			2450 29
" Supplies and Equipment			2034 74
" Water and Light			305 50
" Postage and Telegrams			144 25
" Book Account			932 06
" Telephone			102 25
" Fuel			1206 32
" Building and Loan, Interest	$162 24		
Dues	351 00		513 24
" Salaries, 1920-1921			2878 78
" Salaries, 1921-1922			11735 05
" Laundry			65 78
" General Fund to Library Account			25 00
" Miscellaneous Accounts			35 60
" On Hand			907 10
			$28483 21

Alumni Fund and Account—

Alumni Endowment	$11964 13
Eleven Shares of Stock in Union Cotton Mills	1100 00
	$12964 13

Invested as follows:

American Yarn and Processing Co., 6 per cent. Bonds	$ 6000 00
Notes, Catawba College	600 00
First Mortgage, 6 per cent. Note	4464 13
Bond, Town of Newton	500 00
Liberty Bond	400 00
Eleven Shares of Cotton Mill Stock	1100 00
	$12964 13

General Endowment Fund and Account—

General Endowment Fund		$17000 00
Invested as follows:		
Notes, Catawba College		$ 3375 50
First Mortgage, Real Estate, 6 per cent. Notes		13624 50
		$17000 00
Emanuel Pontius, President Home Bldg. Fund	$803 77	
First Mortgage, Real Estate, 6 per cent. Notes		$ 733 00
Cash on Hand		70 77
		$ 803 77
Rebecca Solliday Church Building Fund		$ 3433 63
Invested as follows:		
Loans, 2 per cent.		$ 3050 00
Cash on Hand		383 63
		$ 3433 63

Receipts, Library Fund and Account—

To Cash on Hand May 20, 1921		$ 1 38
" Interest		82 62
" General Fund		25 00
		$ 109 00

Disbursements—

By Cash, Library Account		$ 109 00
Library Fund	$1500 00	
First Mortgage, 6 per cent. Notes		$ 1000 00
Liberty Bonds		500 00
	$1500 00	$1500 00

J. G. Solliday Fund and Account—

To Cash on Hand May 20, 1921	$ 79 13	
" Interest	832 18	
By Cash, Theological Students		$577 11
" Interest, Solliday Note		332 89
" Cash on Hand May 19, 1922		1 31
	$911 31	$911 31

G. J. Solliday Fund	$20000 00	
Notes, Catawba College		$10937 50
First Mortgage 6 per cent. Notes		9062 50
	$20000 00	$20000 00

Forward Movement Fund and Account—

Received from H. E. Paisley, Treasurer	$14475 00	
Received from J. S. Wise, Treasurer	14562 81	
Invested as follows:		
Borrowed for Current Expense		$ 1811 64
Paid on Current Expense		2895 00
Liberty Bonds and Stamps		5715 00
First Mortgage 6 per cent. Notes		16536 00
Cash on Hand May 20, 1922		2080 17
	$29037 81	$29037 81

CLARENCE CLAPP, Treas.

Report of the Treasurer of Catawba College.

Your Committee on Education would report as follows:

From the report of the Board of Trustees of Catawba College we learn that the work of that institution has been carried on without interruption, enrolling 189 students, eight of these being students for the ministry. The standard of work done is of a high order, and deserves the appreciation of all our people, and there is no better way to show appreciation than by sending our sons and daughters to this institution.

There is, however, a continued financial embarrassment due to the lack of sufficient endowment, and the Trustees are again compelled to report a deficit. This is not as it should be, and efforts should be made to make such provision as will place the institution on a sound basis. Meanwhile it is necessary to provide for the current expenses. As an aid to this end we would recommend.

1. That the Classis lay an apportionment of 25 cents per capita for the current expenses of Catawba College; and that this amount be referred to the Finance Committee for apportionment.

2. That the Classis suggests to the Board of Trustees of the College the advisability of a special program for a more adequate equipment and larger endowment, and the employment of such means as may be necessary to carry out the program.

3. That pastors and consistories lay upon the hearts of their people the claims of Catawba College as a place for the education of their boys and girls.

Respectfully submitted,

A. S. PEELER,
MILTON WHITENER,
J. O. MOOSE.

ARTICLE XIX.

FINANCE.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF CLASSIS.

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

The Treasurer begs leave to submit the following report:

Receipts.

SPECIAL OBJECTS.

Near East Relief—		
First, Charlotte	$ 64 00	
Shiloh	11 40	
St. James, Bear Creek Charge	21 07	
Grace, Newton	40 00	
New Gilead	13 00	
Keller	6 27	
Trinity, Concord	51 85	
		$ 207 59
Chinese Relief—		
Hebron	$ 8 57	
New Gilead	16 15	
First, Landis	50 00	
		$ 74 72
Russian Relief—		
Burlington	$ 5 00	
Heidelberg S. S.	10 00	
First, Landis	50 00	
		$ 65 00
Foreign Missions, Special—		
Grace, Faith Charge	$ 10 75	
Shiloh	44 54	
Burlington	9 25	

Corinth	491 81	
Schlatter Memorial	8 31	
St. James', Bear Creek Charge	28 68	
St. Paul's, Kannapolis	19 30	
Second, Lexington	14 50	
Heidelberg	10 00	
Grace, Newton	25 25	
Mt. Zion	15 51	
Zion-Landis	1005 00	
First, Greensboro	33 35	
Trinity, Concord	55 18	
Faith, Brookford	4 60	
Murphy Memorial	1 00	
Mrs. D. L. Correll	5 00	
Hedrick's Grove	30 80	
		$1812 83

Home Missions, Special—

Burlington	$ 3 10	
Second, Lexington	5 97	
First, Lexington	32 78	
Grace, Newton	13 88	
Trinity, Concord	12 10	
		$ 67 83

Central Church Building Fund—

First, Charlotte	$ 15 00	
		$ 15 00

Sunday Schools, Special—

First S. S., Charlotte	$ 25 12
Shiloh S. S.	15 90
St. Matthew's S. S.	8 69
Corinth S. S.	36 62
St. Paul's S. S., Kannapolis	6 25
St. John's S. S., Kannapolis	8 01
Second S. S., Lexington	11 90
First S. S., Lexington	45 40
Grace S. S., Newton	24 28
New Gilead S. S.	11 67
Mt. Zion S. S.	30 00
Daniel's S. S.	7 92

Emanuel S. S., Lincolnton	10 52	
First S. S., Greensboro	15 00	
Trinity S. S., Concord	13 10	
St. Paul's S. S., South Fork	3 42	
Bethel S. S., South Fork	6 00	
First S. S., Waughtown	4 00	
		$ 283 80

Nazareth Ohphans' Home—

First, Charlotte	$ 105 00	
Mt. Hope, Faith Charge	6 83	
Burlington	92 00	
First, Waughtown	59 35	
Hebron	25 00	
Mt. Tabor	18 71	
Beck's	17 85	
Calvary	17 00	
Emanuel, Emanuel Charge	35 30	
Zion, Emanuel Charge	32 64	
Schlatter Memorial	14 15	
Second, Lexington	61 02	
First, Lexington	300 00	
Grace, Newton	101 85	
W. M. S., Friedland Moravian	95 00	
Bethel, South Fork	6 41	
		$ 988 11

RECEIVED ON APPORTIONMENT.

	Contingent	Potomac Synod Contingent	General Synod Contingent	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Catawba College	Theological Seminary	Beneficiary Education	Ministerial Relief
Balance	1354 83	56 12	31 14	489 03	496 09	274 91	33 74	73 97	47 08
Charlotte	34 88	2 33	1 86	74 40	74 39	23 25	9 77	17 67	13 95
Faith	126 75	8 45	6 76	221 00	221 00	73 94	33 35	54 30	45 50
Burlington	66 37	4 42	3 54	141 60	141 61	44 25	18 59	33 63	26 55
Waughtown	92 50	6 11	4 88	114 88	116 56	35 25	15 60	34 95	25 15
L. Davidson	147 76	9 86	7 88	86 50	81 00	23 00	10 00	10 00	10 00
Emanuel	130 33	2 45	1 96	84	6 25				
Guilford	105 63	6 98	4 46	35 00	31 73	25 00	5 00	5 00	8 10
Lincoln	78 67	5 43	4 34	100 50	96 04	46 65	22 74	34 11	32 55
U. Davidson	223 12	14 87	11 90	101 35	100 00	81 25			
Catawba	69 76	4 66	3 65	54 63	50 00	16 83	5 00	5 00	5 00
Lenoir	23 25	1 55	1 24	49 60	49 60	15 50	6 51	11 78	9 30
Hickory	136 88	9 12	7 30	292 00	292 00	91 25	38 35	69 35	54 75
W'ton-Salem	30 00	2 00	1 60	64 00	64 00	20 00	8 40	15 20	12 00
Bear Creek	113 63	7 58	6 06	138 80	131 85	75 75	24 03	31 34	45 45
Kannapolis	48 75	3 25	2 60	104 00	104 00	32 50	13 65	24 70	20 31
Salisbury	46 13	3 07	2 46	98 40	98 40	30 75	12 92	23 37	18 45
2d, Lexington	44 63	2 97	2 38	95 20	95 20	29 75	12 49	22 61	17 85
1st, Lexing'n	170 25	11 35	9 08	363 20	363 20	113 50	47 67	86 26	68 10
Thomasville	49 50	3 30	2 64	105 60	105 60	33 00	12 86	25 08	19 80
Newton	80 25	5 35	4 28	171 20	181 20	53 50	22 47	40 66	32 10
Rockwell	87 35	5 83	4 66	127 98	138 88	58 25	18 17	37 87	30 95
High Point	57 75	3 85	3 08	123 20	123 20	38 50	16 17	29 26	23 10
Gilead	66 38	4 42	3 54	71 40	77 50	25 15			
Zion-Landis	141 88	9 53	7 62	306 60	181 56	95 25	40 02	72 39	57 15
Lincolnton	47 25	3 15	2 52	102 80	102 80	**31 50**	**13 24**	**23 94**	**18 90**
Greensboro	52 88	3 53	2 82	112 80	112 80	35 25	14 81	26 79	21 15
Concord	49 12	3 27	2 62	104 81	104 80	32 75	13 76	24 89	19 65
Brookford	26 25	1 75	1 40						
South Fork	60 75	2 05	1 64	3 56					
Mt. Bethel									
Interest	42 50								
Arrearages	7 72	3 31							
TOTAL	3813 12	211 91	151 91	3839 84	3741 26	1456 48	469 31	824 12	682 89

Disbursements.

Contingent—

Printing of Standard	$ 700	00
Expenses of Executive Committee	19	50
Rev. O. H. Sensenig, Sustentation	66	67
Sustentation	49	00
Rev. H. A. M. Holshouser, Sustentation	50	00
Rev. L. A. Peeler, Ex. of Stewardship Com'tee	1	80
Editor of Standard	25	00
Business Manager of Standard	25	00
Stated Clerk, Salary and Expenses	63	34
Treasurer, Salary and Expenses	35	12
Mrs. D. E. Bowers, Treasurer's Salary for 6 months	44	09
Trinity, Conover, for use of Church	10	00
Minutes of Classis	351	44
Dr. A. D. Wolfinger, Ex. to F. M. Com	40	00
J. T. Hedrick, Ex. to F. M. Com	35	00
J. W. Peeler, Ex. to F. M. Com	35	00
Rev. S. J. Kirk, Ex. of Exchange of Pulpits	3	50
Rev. G. E. Plott, Ex. of Exchange of Pulpits	2	25
Rev. A. S. Peeler, Ex. of Exchange of Pulpits	1	75
Ex. of Special Meeting of Classis	4	75
Notes of Classis	600	00
Interest	77	50
Postage, Minutes of Potomac Synod	10	58
		$2251 29

Beneficiary Education—

Dr. F. A. Rupley, Treas	$ 772	70

Foreign Missions—

Dr. A. R. Bartholomew	3741	26

Foreign Missions, Special—

Dr. A. R. Bartholomew	1812	83

Home Missions—

J. S. Wise, Treas	3839	84

Home Missions, Special—

J. S. Wise, Treas	67	83

Catawba College—

Clarence Clapp, Treas	1370	58

Ministerial Relief—
Rev. E. L. McLean, Treas. 636 26

Theological Seminary—
J. Travers Thomas, Treas. 453 14

Potomac Synod Contingent—
J. Travers Thomas, Treas. 210 91

General Synod Contingent—
J. Travers Thomas, Treas. 149 31

Near East Relief—
Dr. A. R. Bartholomew. $ 14 00
The Messenger. 90 59
Cleveland H. Dodge, Treas. 103 00
$ 207 59

Central Church Building Fund—
John L. Fisher, Treas. $ 15 00

Chinese Relief—
Dr. A. R. Bartholomew. $ 74 72

Russian Relief—
Dr. Frederick Lynch. $ 60 00
The Messenger. 5 00
$ 65 00

Nazareth Orphans' Home—
George H. Moose, Treas. $ 988 11

Sunday School, Special—
C. O. Althouse, Treas. $ 283 80

Summary of Receipts and Disbursements.

	Received	Paid out	Bal. in Treasury
Contingent	$3574 73	$2251 29	$1323 44
Potomac Synod Contingent	211 91	210 91	1 00
General Synod Contingent	151 91	149 31	2 60
Home Missions	3839 84	3839 84	
Home Missions, Special	67 83	67 83	
Foreign Missions	3741 26	3741 26	
Foreign Missions, Special	1812 83	1812 83	
Catawba College	1456 47	1370 58	75 89
Beneficiary Education	824 12	772 07	52 05
Theological Seminary	469 31	453 14	16 17
Ministerial Relief	682 89	636 26	46 63
Nazareth Orphans' Home	988 11	988 11	

Sunday Schools, Special	283 80	283 80	
Near East Relief	207 59	207 59	
Chinese Relief	74 72	74 72	
Russian Relief	65 00	65 00	
Central Church Building Fund	15 00	15 00	
			$1517 78

Indebtedness of Classis.

Winston-Salem	$ 400 00
Landis	1000 00
Charlotte	1850 00
	$3250 00

Interest Due Classis.

Winston-Salem	$ 36 00
Landis	166 00
	$ 202 50

Arrearages.

Contingent—

Emanuel, Emanuel Charge, $3.90; Zion, $17.28; Boger, $30.00; St. Paul's, South Fork Charge, $42.75; Fairview, $3.75.

Potomac Synod Contingent—

Emanuel, Emanuel Charge, $4.18; Zion, $3.48; Boger, $2.00; St. Paul's, South Fork Charge, $2.85; Bethel, $2.00; Fairview, $0.25.

General Synod Contingent—

Emanuel, Emanuel Charge, $3.34; Zion, $2.78; Brick, $1.12; Bethany, Catawba Charge, $0.07; Boger, $1.60; St. Paul's, South Fork Charge, $2.28; Bethel, $1.60; Fairview, $0.20.

Arrearages 1920-1921.

Contingent—

St. Mark's, $8.95; Fairview, $3.45; Brick, $29.67.

Potomac Synod Contingent—

St. Mark's, $1.75; Fairview, $0.25; Brick, $2.15.

Arrearages 1919-1920.

Contingent—

Fairview, $3.96.

Potomac Synod Contingent—

Fairview, $0.24.

Arrearages 1918-1919.

Contingent—

St. Mark's, $7.50; Fairview, $9.84.

Potomac Synod Contingent—

St. Mark's, $2.81; Fairview, $0.54.

Respectfully submitted,

G. E. PLOTT, Treasurer.

The Committee on Finance made the following report, which was adopted:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Finance have examined the Treasurer's report and find it correct.

We recommend the following apportionment:

Contingent	50½
Potomac Synod Contingent	.03
Beneficiary Education	.19
General Synod Contingent	.02
Theological Seminary	.10½
Home Missions	.80
Foreign Missions	.80
Catawba College	.25
Ministerial Relief	.15
Publication and S. S. Work	.10

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. WAGONER,
W. C. LYERLY,
J. T. PLOTT.

Classis gave the following instructions to the Treasurer for his guidance:

Resolved, That the Treasurer of Classis be instructed hereafter to enter his accounts by individual congregations and not by charges when charges consist of more than one congregation.

Resolved, That the Treasurer be instructed to inaugurate a new and better system of book-keeping than that which we have followed for several years, and to ascertain whether the blank form recommended by the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee of General Synod may not be adapted to our needs better than any other system.

ARTICLE XX.

BENEVOLENT INSTITUTIONS.

Report of the Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home.

The Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home present the following report:

From the report of the Superintendent we learn that 25 boys and 24 girls have been cared for during the year, and at present the number is 44. Two have been placed in another institution, two of the girls, becoming 18, left, and one boy ran away.

The children's health has been good, and this certainly is one thing for which to be thankful.

School has been maintained from September 6 to April 29, during which time the progress of the children has been commendable.

Religious instruction has been given in the church, Sunday School and the Home. A Christian Endeavor Society has been maintained in the Home. Catechetical instruction has been given and nine of the children confirmed in the Church.

The watersystem has been out of commission since January, and much inconvenience has resulted. This, however, we hope to correct by the installation of a new tank.

The farm has produced very little during the past year owing to the excessive drought.

One of the cows became infected and had to be butchered, and two others have died.

A truck, donated mainly through the efforts and contributions of the Landis and Mt. Zion people, has been a great help and convenience.

The Board of Managers are pleased to announce the splendid gift of $32,500 in Annuity Bonds to the Home. This is the gift of a member of the Board, Mr. J. T. Hedrick, of Lexington.

The last anniversary was a success in every way, and we wish to remind our people that the next anniversary, August 3, is looked forward to with great anticipations. All Reformed people should attend. In this connection the Board asks Classis to recommend to the pastors and charges to assist by way of furnishing supplies or money for the refreshment stands, and that the same order be effective as last year.

The great need of the Home at present is a new building for girls, and the Board is asking Classis for an expression as to advisability of beginning this work now.

The terms of office of the following members of the Board expire at this meeting of Classis, and it will be your duty to name their successors: Rev. W. H. McNairy, George H. Moose, Rev. A. D. Wolfinger.

The Board questions whether in the election of Managers some women should not be selected, but should this seem improper, then consider the election of an Auxiliary Board of Women.

May we not ask for the continued and enlarged support of the Church, that greater and better things may be done for the children of the Church?

It becomes the Board's duty to inform Classis of the resignations of the Superintendent, Matron and farmer, which, after due consideration, have been accepted.

The Board asks the prayers and the hearty co-operation of pastors and people that the proper persons be secured to take their places.

The financial report of the Auditing Committee is herewith attached.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. L. LYERLY, President.

Report of the Treasurer of Nazareth Orphans' Home.

Balance May 1, 1921	$ 1101	27
Received during year	$11605	52
Total	$12706	79

Disbursements—

Insurance	$ 68	93
Veterinary Services	45	75
Hardware and Paint	538	35
Oil and Gas	516	19
Repairing Tank and Engine	349	15
Groceries	1264	62
Feed	1719	19
Note and Interest	866	00
Superintendent's Salary and Hired Labor	1504	18
Apportionment	52	00
Traveling Expenses	389	07
Garage and Batteries	321	69

Field and Garden Seed	190 72
Horse	95 00
Merchandise	380 70
Sundries	962 36
Total	$ 9263 90
Balance	3442 89
	$12706 79

Endowments—

David H. Hinkle Fund	$ 500 00
Hoffman Fund	2000 00
Mantz Fund	500 00
May Fund	2500 00
J. T. Hedrick Fund	32500 00
	$38000 00

High Point Real Estate	$ 9500 00
American Products Co.	800 00
New Building Fund	678 27
Certificate of Deposit	1624 84
Cash in Bank	1507 28
Council Note	2000 00
	$16110 39

GEO. H. MOOSE, Treasurer.

The following report of the Committee on Benevolent Institutions was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Benevolent Institutions beg leave to make the following report:

We rejoice in the splendid growth of the work of Ministerial Relief during the year and endorse the recommendations of General Synod's Board of Ministerial Relief.

Your committee is pleased to hear of the continued prosperity of the Nazareth Orphans' Home, but regrets that on account of the resignation of the present incumbent it now becomes necessary to elect a new Superintendent.

We rejoice over the special gifts received during the year, and are especially gratified for th magnifient gift of Elder J. T. Hedrick, amounting to $32,500.

We recommend the same arrangements for collecting funds and provisions for the annual Orphans' Home Day as last year.

We urge every congregation in the Classis to be interested in the Orphanage and give most hearty support to this institution.

We recommend that a new building for the girls be erected at a very early date.

We recommend that an Auxiliary Board of Women be elected by the Board of Managers.

J. D. ANDREW,
H. A. M. HOLSHOUSER,
J. M. NIFONG.

ARTICLE XXI.

EXAMINATION AND LICENSURE.

Friday morning, May 12, the following partial report of the Committee on Examination and Licensure was received and adopted:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

The requests of Students Banks J. Peeler, A. Odell Leonard and Felix B. Peck for examination and licensure have been referred to your committee. We have examined these young men and find their examination satisfactory. We, therefore, recommend their licensure.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. ROWE,
G. E. PLOTT,
W. A. WELKER.

These young men, Felix B. Peck, A. Odell Leonard and Banks J. Peeler, presented themselves and signed the Constitutional formula, and were duly licensed to preach the gospel.

Friday night, May 12, the Committee on Examination and Licensure presented a supplementary report as follows, which was received and adopted:

To the Classis of North Carolina.

Your committee to whom was referred the request of Mr. William C. Shaw for examination and licensure beg to report that he has been

examined by your committee and we find his examination satisfactory. We, therefore, recommend his licensure.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. ROWE,
G. E. PLOTT.

Mr. William C. Shaw presented himself and signed the Constitutional formula, and was duly licensed to preach the gospel.

ARTICLE XXII.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Young People's Societies beg leave to report that the year just closed has been the banner year for the young people of this Classis. From an examination of the statistical reports your committee has learned that there has been a substantial increase in membership and contributions. Six hundred sixty-one young people are now enrolled, and $1310.00 was contributed for benevolent and congregational purposes.

Your committee recommends the following:

1. That Classis do its utmost to have the young people of every congregation organized.
2. That it renew its efforts to interest larger numbers of our young people in the Missionary Conference.
3. That all of our societies be urged to co-operate with the Department of Young People's Work created by General Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. KOONS,
D. C. COX,
L. L. NIFONG.

ARTICLE XXIII.

NECROLOGY.

The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Dear Fathers and Brethren: — Your Committee on Necrology beg leave to present the following report:

Rev. David Eli Bowers.

Rev. David E. Bowers was born near the town of Thomasville, Davidson county, April 9, A. D. 1873; died October 28, A. D. 1921; aged 48 years, 6 months and 19 days. His parents were Hamilton and Triphena Bowers. His mother died when he was nine years of age, and his father when he was 17. He was one of eight brothers who were thus left orphans, with not much of this world's estate. The boy David found a good Christian home in the family of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Conrad, of the Pilgrim Congregation, Davidson county, who stood to him almost in the relation of parents. He first attended the public school in his home district. Then he attended Pilgrim Academy four years, where he prepared for College. In 1895 he entered the Freshman class at Catawba College, from which he graduated with honor in 1899. The fall of the same year he entered Ursinus School of Theology, Philadelphia, graduating in 1902. As a youth David E. Bowers was full of determination and energy, with a pronounced thirst for knowledge. He was determined to secure an education, and refused to be discouraged by handicaps. Limited means did not daunt him. Bravely he fought through the schools, and came out a well equipped man, "a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of Truth." When but a lad he united with Calvary Reformed Church under the pastorate of Rev. J. C. Leonard soon after his organization. There was always in his heart a burning love for Jesus Christ.

At the annual meeting of the Classis of North Carolina at Daniel's Church, Lincoln county, David E. Bowers was licensed to preach the gospel, May 17, 1902. Having been chosen as assistant pastor to Rev. J. C. Leonard, who had charge of the new missions at Lexington and High Point, Licentiate Bowers was ordained at the same time and place of his licensure, the Committee of Ordination consisting of Revs. W. H. Stubblebine, J. D. Andrew and J. H. Keller. He at once entered upon his important work, giving his individual attention to the High Point Church. The first of the year 1903 the two missions were separated, and the Board of Missions appointed Brother Bowers as pastor of the First Reformed Church of High Point. He was very diligent and aggressive in the High Point work. The city was growing rapidly, and he wisely saw the need of work in the western section, where later Classis authorized him to organize Bethel Reformed Church, which he did Oct. 24, 1905. He served First and Bethel Churches jointly until the close of 1907, when he resigned the First Church. He then gave his attention to Bethel Church and also a new work which Classis instructed him to reorganize at Waughtown, a

suburb of Winston Salem. December 14, 1909, Hebron Church and the church at Waughtown were constituted a charge, and in this rearrangement of churches Bethel and Zion Churches were made a charge under the care of Brother Bowers, which he served until the end of the year 1911. He then accepted a call to the Waughtown Charge. By instruction of Classis he organized Bethlehem Reformed Church September 22, 1914, and this congregation became a part of his charge, which he continued to serve with great satisfaction to all his people until Providence dissolved the pastoral relationship the morning of October 28, 1921.

At the annual meeting of Classis in May, 1913, this brother was chosen Treasurer. He served in this important office with perfect fidelity eight an a half years. No man was ever more careful in keeping his accounts than was Brother Bowers. His annual reports to Classis were models of neatness and accuracy. His brethren sorely miss him in this office.

In 1909 Rev. D. E. Bowers was married to Miss Esther Mebane, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mebane, of Burlington. To this union were born two sons, David E., Jr., and William Blaine. Bro. Bowers was a kind and faithful husband, a true and devoted father. He is also survived by five brothers. One of these is Rev. Joshua L. Bowers, formerly a minister in our Church, but now in the Presbyterian Church.

Like Stephen, the martyr, Brother Bowers was "a man full of faith and of the Holy Ghost." He was a man of original genius, openness of mind, courage, spotless character. He was of sweet disposition and majestic manner. His character was as near spotless as was ever any man's. He was an eloquent and earnest preacher, who stood in the front rank for service, endeavor and risk. He was a devoted and painstaking pastor. In his ministry of nineteen and a half years he accomplished much. Some men live longer in nineteen years than others live in twice that period, because they live more intensely. During the years of his ministry he organized three congregations. He built temporary houses of worship for two of these, and eventually permanent churches for all of them. He built a parsonage for Bethel Church, High Point, and one for the Waughtown Charge. He was largely instrumental in founding Schlatter Memorial Church, Winston-Salem, having organized the Sunday School there January 24, 1915. He also assisted in the organization of the church May 2, 1915.

Brother Bowers was intensely devoted to the interests of the Kingdom. He worked hard and persistently. He looked carefully

after his own field, and he was always ready to give assistance to his brethren. He was specially gifted in evangelistic work, and he was in great demand for such services all over the Classis and in other denominations. There was marvelous power in his message, because he spoke out of deep conviction. He was a man of splendid force of character, a most valuable asset. "A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches." He had the good name. Everybody always knew on which side of moral issues he would be found.

Brother Bowers literally died in the harness. He conducted the regular services in his charge the last Sunday of his sojourn on earth, preaching at Hebron in the morning and at Waughtown at night. He had suffered for several months from bronchial asthma. The immediate cause of his death was pneumonia.

Funeral services were conducted from the Waughtown Church Sunday afternoon, Oct. 30, 1921, very properly in charge of his fellow-laborer, Rev. G. E. Plott, pastor of Schlatter Memorial Church, Winston-Salem. The sermon was preached by Rev. J. C. Leonard, D. D., from Acts 6: 5, "Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Ghost." Other ministers present were: Revs. J. D. Andrew, Dr. H. A. M. Holshouser, H. A. Fesperman, Dr. A. D. Wolfinger, H. A. Welker, D. C. Cox, J. A. Palmer, of the Reformed Church; Rev. W. Allen, of the Moravian Church; Rev. J. F. Carter, of the Baptist Church; Revs. J. S. Hiatt and J. A. J. Farington, of the Methodist Church. The body was tenderly borne to its last resting place in the Waughtown Cemetery by the officers of the several churches of the charge.

"How blest the righteous when he dies,
When sinks a weary soul to rest!
How mildly beam the closing eyes!
How gently heaves the expiring breast!

"So fades a summer cloud away;
So sinks the gale when storms are o'er;
So gently shuts the eye of day;
So dies a wave along the shore.

"A holy quiet reigns around,
A calm which life nor death destroys;
And naught disturbs that peace profound
Which his unfettered soul enjoys.

"Farewell, conflicting hopes and fears,
Where lights and shades alternate dwell;
How bright the unchanging morn appears!
Farewell, inconstant world, farewell.

"Life's labor done, as sinks the clay,
Light from its load the spirit flies,
While heaven and earth combine to say,
'How blest the righteous when he dies.'"

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. LEONARD,
SHUFORD PEELER,
R. P. MURPHY.

This report was adopted solemnly by a rising vote, and while the members of Classis stood humbly and reverently, the President requested the Stated Clerk to lead the body in prayer.

ARTICLE XXIV.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The following sums were referred to the Committee on Finance for apportionment: Stated Clerk's salary and expenses, $65.44; Treasurer's salary and expenses, $44.85; printing the Minutes of Classis, $290.00; General Contingent, $250.00; Church Building, $700.00; Reformed Church Standard, $750.00.

The following report of the Press Committee was adopted:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Press beg leave to report that daily reports were sent to the leading daily papers in this section of the state.

L. A. PEELER,
W. C. LYERLY.

The following resolution of thanks was adopted:

Resolved, That the Classis of North Carolina hereby places upon record an expression of its appreciation of the hospitable manner in which the pastor and people of St. James' Reformed Church, Mt. Pleasant, have entertained us during our sessions in their midst.

Resolved, That our Treasurer be instructed to pay to the Treasurer of St. James' Church the sum of ten dollars for the use of this church for our annual meeting.

The following was adopted looking to the supply of vacant churches:

Believing that it is not out of harmony with the Constitution of the Reformed Church, and realizing that our system of taking care of our charges is very unsatisfactory, and believing that the vacant charges should be supplied regularly, be it resolved,

1. That North Carolina Classis makes it the duty of all the pastors within the three districts to arrange with each other for the regular services in all the churches that are vacant in their district.

2. That it is the duty of the said vacant charges to provide a reasonable compensation for said services.

3. That every effort possible be made to secure a regular pastor at the earliest possible date.

The following action was taken for the guidance of ministerial students:

In view of the fact that ministerial students are looked upon by their fellow students as leaders and examples in the matter of their mode of living, etc.,

Resolved, That the Classis of North Carolina most affectionately call upon all students for the ministry to realize the importance of applying themselves to their studies, to be an example to their fellow students in matter of conduct, and also that all students, especially those at Catawba College, are kindly asked to apply all monies received from the Board of Education on their account with the College.

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent each student at Catawba College by the Corresponding Secretary.

The following overture to General Synod was adopted:

Whereas, The Hymnal of the Reformed Church is a very fine work of art, and should therefore be introduced into all our churches speedily, and

Whereas, The one form in which the Hymnal is now issued makes it quite expensive for numerous congregations, the weight of so large

a book also contributing to its wearing out after a few years of constant use, therefore,

Resolved, That the Classis of North Carolina respectfully requests the General Synod to give instruction to the Committee on Publication to issue a word edition of the Hymnal at as low a cost as practicable.

The following addressed the Classis in the interest of Catawba College, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, the Forward Movement, Publications and Sunday Schools, Religious Literature, etc.: Rev. J. G. Rupp, Treasurer J. S. Wise, Rev. A. V. Casselman, Rev. A. D. Wolfinger, D. D., Rev. Charles Peters, Ph. D.

The attention of all ministerial students, both in College and Seminary, was called to the requirement of Classis that their school reports be sent to Classis as a part of their personal reports.

In connection with the consideration of the report of the Missionary and Stewardship Committee, the roll of the charges of the Classis was called in order to ascertain whether the Every-Member Canvass was made. The information was brought out that most of the charges had made the canvass, but that some did not. Classis calls the attention of all pastors and officers to the requirement that an Every-Member Canvass shall be made each year for local expenses and benevolent funds.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That Potomac Synod's Board of Educatoin be requested to grant $150.00 to each of the following ministerial students under the care of the Classis of North Carolina: Thomas R. Safrit, Sidney Safrit, Hoy L. Fesperman, Charlie E. Hiatt, Fred R. Sowers, John H. Causey, Harvey W. Black, Gurney Ray Peeler, O. Bain Michael.

Friday, May 12, at 2 o'clock p. m., was designated as the time for the election of delegates to the General Synod. The President appointed Elders A. L. Shuford and J. W. Bowers as tellers in the election of ministerial delegates, and Revs. J. H. Keller and L. A. Peeler in the election of lay delegates. The result of this election is given under Article XII.

At the close of the session of Classis Friday afternoon it was decided to hold a session also following the evening program in order to finish the business Saturday morning.

The salary of the Stated Clerk and that of the Treasurer was fixed at $100.00 each.

The Reformed Church Standard staff was instructed to continue the advertisement of Catawba College under the stipulation of last year.

The following was adopted as the standing rule of Classis:

Resolved, That it shall be the standing rule of Classis that 5 days before the annual meeting all parochial reports and statistical reports shall be sent to the President of Classis, the Sunday School reports to the chairman of the Permanent Committee on Sunday Schools, and the reports of Young People's Societies to the chairman of the Committee on Young People's Societies.

The chairman of the Committee on Young People's Societies was instructed to request all Young People's organizations to send delegates to the Missionary Conference at Catawba College.

The following action was taken in regard to St. Peter's Church property:

Resolved, That the Trustees of Classis be given power to dispose of St. Peter's Church property and money in such way as to inure to the benefit of the parsonage fund of Catawba Charge.

The Coresponding Secretary was instructed to call the attention of the pastors and consistory of Grace Church, Faith Charge, to discrepancies in the statistics of the said church.

ARTICLE XXV.

RESUMPTION AND CLOSE.

The Committee on Leave of Absence presented the following report, which was received and adopted:

Your Committee on Leave of Absence beg leave to report that the following brethren have been excused: Revs. D. C. Cox, H. A. Fesperman, J. H. Keller, H. A. Welker, A. S. Peeler, J. M. L. Lyerly; Elders E. D. Fox, J. T. Plott, C. C. Leonard, R. L. Whitener.

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. WELKER,
W. H. McNairy.

At the last session on Saturday morning, all business having been transacted, the roll was called, and the following not having been previously excused, failed to answer to their names: Revs. A. Shulenberger, A. D. Wolfinger, W. B. Werner, S. J. Kirk; Elders B. S. Shuford, M. G. Lentz, J. J. Correll, J. W. Hedrick, J. O. Moose, J. R. Hoffman, J. B. McCombs, G. H. Pless, A. L. Shuford, R. B. McCombs, R. F. Cline.

ARTICLE XXVI.

ADJOURNMENT.

The Classis adjourned finally Saturday morning, May 13, at 10 o'clock, to meet in 93d annual sessions in the First Reformed Church, Charlotte, North Carolina, Tuesday evening, May 8, A. D. 1923, at 8 o'clock.

J. A. PALMER, President,
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

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YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

Name of Congregation	Name of Society	Name and Address of Secretary	Members		Contributions					Has Y. M. P. S. Program been Adopted?
			Active	Associate	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Contr. to Y P. Dept.	Other Benevolence	To Local Ch. Ex. of Soc.	
1st, Lexington	Y. P. S. C. E.	Miss Ethel Hedrick, Lexington	36		11			9	18	
2d, Lexington	Y. P. S. C. E.	Miss Mary Williams, Lexington	22		9			7	20	
Corinth	Y. P. S. C. E.	Miss Mary Holbrooks, Hickory	42		50			5	10	
Burlington	Senior C. E.	Miss Marvin Clapp, Burlington	30							
1st, Greensboro	Senior C. E.	Miss Alma Davis, Greensboro	30			10			5	
	Junior C. E.	Miss Ruth Lewis, Greensboro	30						5	
1st, Charlotte	Y. P. S. C. E.	Mrs. H. M. Clapp, Charlotte	20	5	10		12	10	10	
Grace	Y. P. S. C. E.	Miss Otha L. Corl, Rockwell	25	3	20			5	20	
St. John's	Y. P. S. C. E.	Miss Livian M. McCombs, Kannapolis	19					10	45	in p't
	Junior C. E.	Zeta Blackwelder, Kannapolis	25							
Boger	Y. P. S. C. E.	Baxter Watts, Concord	25					10		
Bethel	Y. P. S. C. E.	Esther Moose, Gold Hill	30		50	12				
St. John's	Y. W. M. A.	Lillian Blackwelder, Kannapolis	10							
St. Paul	Y. W. M. A.	Blanche Deal, Mooresville	8							
1st, High Point	Earnest Workers' League	Gladys Foust, High Point	29	8				29	143	
1st Salisbury	Junior Phila. Class	Ada Correll, Salisbury	12							
	Y. W. M. A.	Lizzie Holshouser, Salisbury	12		11	11			18	
	Boy Scouts	Carl Correll, Salisbury	8							
Emanuel	Baraca Class	Jesse Myers, Thomasville	40	10				88		
	Phila. Class	Ada Bowers, Thomasville	39							
Shiloh	Junior Congregation	Glenn Shive, Salisbury, R. D. 3	33		5	5			10	
Grace, Newton	Y. W. M. A.	Miss Linda Trott, Newton	14				16	1		
Emanuel, Lincolnton	Mission Band		15					18		
	Y. W. M. A.		15					18	180	
Trinity, Concord	Y. W. M. A.	Miss Ethel Lippard, Concord	20	23	67	76			33	
	Mission Band	Miss Evelin Goodman, Concord	47		28	29		100		
1st, Burlington	Y. W. M. A.	Ruth Burke, Burlington	25		1				50	
		TOTAL	661	49	262	143	28	310	567	

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				Officers and Teachers	2 Primary Dept. incl. Beginners	3 Junior Dept.	4 Intermediate Dept.	5 Senior Dept.	Total (This means the sum of cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)	Av. Attendance (based on cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)	6 Cradle Roll	7 Home Dept.	Total Enrollment (Add Cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7)									Home	Foreign			
Rockwell	St. Luke's	J. C. Holshauser, Granite Quarry, N.C.		8	13	9		20	50		3		53		Yes				35				2		29	33
	Ursinus	A. L. Rinehardt, Rockwell, N. C.		17	32	22	16	77	184	110			184		Yes				115	64					271	148
	Bethany	Rev. W. B. Werner, Crescent, N. C.		10	24	22	26	26	107	77			107		Yes	2			42	6	7	5			30	60
Burlington	First	H. W. Coble, Burlington, N. C.		12	29	45	26	63	175	90	20		195		Yes	3	1	15	105	50		5	8		80	125
Gilead	New Gilead	Fred Neisler, Concod, N. C., R .3		9	15	7	14	31	76	51			76		Yes				40	13	2			7	14	39
	Keller	Paul B. Cline, Concod, N. C., R .3.		7	14	21	15	20	77	45			77		Yes				46	8	12			5		35
Hickory	Corinth	W. R. Weaver, Hickory, N. C.	Mrs. H. C. Menzies, Hickory, N. C.	23	88	26	24	64	225	165	36		261		Yes	2			132	5	16	187	251	36	250	206
Concord	Trinity	J. O. Moose Concord N. C.		20	43	21	32	94	210	123		9	219		Yes	2			110	40			55	13	131	241
Winston-Salem	Schlatter Mem.	E. A. Sink, Winston Salem, N. C.		14	50	36	31	55	186	95	25		211		Yes	2					10				23	211
Guilford	Mt. Hope	Mrs. H. W. Welker, Julian, N. C.		11	40	18	17	62	148	90	35	22	205		Yes				97		25					24
	Brick	James Shepherd, Burlington, R. No. 10		7	40	10	15	25	97	75	27		200		No				75		6					20
	St. Mark's	C. V. Boone, Burlington, R. No. 4		7	40	15	20	93	172	70			185		Yes		1	10	85		2					25
W. Hickory	Faith	Thos W. Huffman, Brookford, N. C.		9	19	23	19	49	118	59			118		Yes				20	35	6		4		15	101
	Murphy Mem.	L. A. Huffman, Hickory, N. C., R.3.		6	22		10	6	44	18			44		Yes						1					4
Kannapolis	St. John's	H. J. Peeler, Kannapolis, N. C.	Mrs. T. P. Moose, Kannapolis, N. C.	14	45	18	19	58	154	106			154		Yes	2		1	62	31	9	7	21	8	22	137
	St. Paul's	Other Deal, Mooresville N.C., R.1	Mrs. Other Deal, Mooresville N.C., R.1	11	20	12	4	54	101	55			101		Yes			2	70	1	4	5	7	6	20	80
Zion-Landis	Mt. Zion	C. L. Sinn, Landis, N. C.	Mrs. B. Shuford, Landis, N. C.	23	83	40	19	135	300	160			300		Yes			15	172	148	22				125	195
	First	M. D. Jones, China Grove, N. C.		18	53	27	20	212	140	108			140		Yes	2		8	87	43	5				289	132

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Lincolnton	Emanuel's	C. C. Leonard, Lincolnton, N. C.		10	14	6	13	22	65	37			65	20	Yes				38	15		10	10	8	51
	Daniel's	J. R. Warlick, Lincolnton N. C.		8	14			31		33			52		Yes				33	12				15	30
Emanuel	Emanuel	R. M. Grimes, Thomasville, N. C.		13	60	40	79	56	245	135			245		No	3			150	51				12	105
	Calvary	R. Black, Thomasville, N. C.		10	25	30	35	30	130	60			130		No				75		5				17
	Zion	W. F. Murphy, Thomasville, N. C.		14	36	50	20	36	156	65			156		No										22
Lexington	First	J. T. Hedrick, Lexington, N. C.	Mrs. J. C. Leonard, Lexington, N. C.	19	86	119	96	189	509	266			509	435	Yes	4			350	60	37	60	101	45	509	398
	Second	T. A. Swing, Lexington, N. C.	Mrs. Charles Kepley Lexington, N. C.	12	93	58	51	87	301	170	23		324	237	Yes	4	1	10	98	12	7			12	60	101
Greensboro	First	J. T. Plott, Greensboro, N. C.	Mrs. E. L. Wagoner, Greensboro, N. C.	22	69	72	78	101	342	156	10		352	100	Yes	4			125	30	12	266	28		98	237
Lincoln	Memorial	S. M. Finger, Maiden, N. C.		13	15	12	16	42	85	60			85		Yes				58	18	8	25			150	110
	St. Matthew's	D. F. Campbell, Lincolnton, N.C., R.4		10	22	26		40	88	43			88		Yes				38	16	9	10		8	65	25
Salisbury	First	G. C. Fisher Salisbury, N. C.	Mrs. G. C. Fisher, Salisbury, N. C.	12	45	28	21	81	187	92	27	22	236	70	Yes	2	1	20	120	60	15	8	18	9	35	465
Lenoir	Zion	I. T. Hedrick, Lenoir, N. C.	Mrs. John McNairy, Lenoir, N. C.	6	19	15	8	21	72	46	5	8	85	175	Yes				34	12	5					115
Thomasville	Heidelberg	D. A. Long, Thomasville, N. C.		14	28	36	16	62	154	99			154		Yes	1			82	17	15				45	125
Faith	Grace	G. A. Fisher, Rockwell, N. C., R 1		14	22	26	39	75	169	77	10		179	100	Yes				95	70	5		11		100	105
	Shiloh	T. M. Byrd, Salisbury, N. C., R. 3		26	38	19		63	144	125	22		166	50	Yes				98	68	2		29	15	55	329
	Mt. Hope	Martin Weaver, Salisbury, N. C. R. 8		9	20	19	30	30	108	74			108		Yes				35	70					45	98
Charlotte	First	B. J. Summerow, Charlotte, N. C.	Mrs. Shuford Peeler, Charlotte, N. C.	12	51	13	18	61	155	105	13		168		Yes	3	1	12	1	80	20	6	20	18	25	265	100
Waughtown	First	E. V. McGhee, Winston-Salem, N. C		20	57	36	32	50	195	127	22		217	25	Yes	2			80						113	101
	Hebron	L. L. Nifong Winston-Salem, R. 5		10	22	24		34	80	65			80		Yes				56	25						21
	Bethlehem	O. H. Bodenheimer, Winston-Salem, R. 5		9	10	10		13	42	32			42		Yes				30	1						12

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U. Davidson	Pilgrim	A. P. Long, Thomasville, R. 1	Miss Ella Leonard, Lexington, R. 1	15	46	29		125	215	135			215		Yes					200	50	16				38	105
	Beulah	E. R. Everhart Lexington, R. 4	Mrs. T. F. Byerly, Lexington, R. 4	10	43	59	55	148	315	125			315		Yes					253	39	26				34	137
	Bethany	Jno. S. Shoaf, Walburg, N. C.	Miss Mollie Long, Walburg, N. C.	8	19	10	18	21	76	47			76		Yes					55	11	7				11	40
L. Davidson	Beck's	W. Z. Greer Lexington, R. 6		12	30	28	16	54	140	78			140		Yes					76	34	16		30		20	75
	Hedrick's G've	Ed. F. Hedrick, Lexington, R. 2		11	32	14	20	58	135	74			135		Yes					80	45						58
	Mt. Tabor	Charles Everhardt, Lexington, R. 2		11	23	22	32	50	138	89			138		Yes					81	43	8				18	50
	*Jerusalem	E. A. Beck, Lexington, R. 2		7	11	17		30	65	32			65		No					42	21						25
High Point	First	J. W. Hedrick, High Paint, N. C.	Mrs. Edgar Whitmer High Point, N. C.	16	67	60	19	168	330	173	36		356		Yes					165	50	14	10	10		18	621
Newton	Grace	W. Murphy Wagoner, Newton, N. C.	Mrs. Samuel Herman, Newton, N. C.	19	43	16	96	41	215	129			215		Yes	2			3	85	50	16		15	24		305
Bear Creek	St. James'	R. W. Moose, Mt. Pleasant, N. C.		12	23	12	15	43	105	70			105		Yes					80	25	10		40		24	200
	Bethel	J. A. Rowland Richfield, N. C.		17	35	28		132	212	131			212		Yes					153	44	11					
	Boger	B. E. Wilson, Concord, N. C.		11	33	15	26	37	111	80			111	40	Yes					78	33	17				100	50
Catawba	Trinity	A. L. Shuford, Conover, N. C.		11	31	24		58	113	70	17		141		Yes					57	45					90	75
	Bethany	L. P. Wilson. Claremont N. C.		3	12	15		20	47	25			47		Yes					17	9	3					10
	*Smyrna	Alva Martin, Catawba, N. C.		7	25	40		72	137	72			137		No					84	25					35	75
South Fork	Bethel	G. L. Whitmer, Hickory, N. C., R. 1.		8	15	10	10	32	67	45			75		Yes					50	20	5		10			30
	St. Paul's	J. M. Bost, Newton N. C.		8	20	15	15	32	103	65			111		Yes					75	20	5					45
	Grace	A. R. Anthony, Lincolnton, N. C.		8	25	15	10	52	103	65			103		Yes					70	15	6					40
Total No. of charges, 29																										
Total No. of schools 56			TOTALS	682	1949	1431	1211	3345	8428	4869	331	61	8978	1252	50	40	7	90	7	5034	645	413	608	668	223	3262	6534

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	John Ingle	Green Park, N. C.	Without Charge																								
	Michael L. Hedrick	Lexington N. C., R. 6	Without Charge																								
	P. M. Trexler D. D.	Salisbury, N. C., R. 6	Without Charge																								
	Paul Barringer D.D.	Mt. Pleasant N. C.	Without Charge																								
1	J. C. Leonard, D. D.	Lexington, N. C.	First, Lexington	1	474	354	83	7	32	45	8	5	3	33	2	1	1	509	1	35	474	488	141	2642	1302	5047	3988
2			First, Waughtown	1	85	58	3						2				1	217			80	80		240	114	514	457
3	J. M. L. Lyerly, Ph.D	Winston-Salem, N. C.	Hebron	1	90	65	1	2	1	1	1	1	1		2		1	80	1		29	32		181	73	375	385
4			Bethlehem	1	42	22		1	9	10	1	1			2		1	42						44			144
5			Pilgrim	1	270	228	50	7	6	11	4	2	6		2	1	1	215			100	100	62	368	139	769	1086
6	James D. Andrew	Lexington N. C., R. 1	Bethlehy	1	300	257	39	10	23	2	4		4	1	3		1	315	2					154	115	279	3506
7			Bethany	1	80	70	11	8	6		2			3	2		1	78					18	90	50	158	339
	Julius H. Shuford	Hickory, N. C.	Without Charge																								
8			Murphy Memorial	1	18	10				3	15						1	44							12	12	170
9	Wm. H. McNairy	Hickory, N. C.	Brookford	1	79	40	19	6	2	4	2	4		1		2	1	118							64	64	291
10			Corinth, Hickory	1	290	200	175	12	1	22	1		4	5	4		1	300			235	731	200	457		1623	2000
11	John H. Kelller	China Grove, N. C.	Mt. Zion	1	105	85	46	6	3	7				1	2		1	140			100	348	120			568	1600
12	Walter W. Rowe	Hickory, N. C.	First, Landis	1	370	275	120	16	3	18	8		18		3		1	261		75	400	975	250	1566	1300	4491	4450
13	Shuford Peeler	Charlotte N. C.	First, Charlotte	1	107	90	50	5	4	6	11	2	2	1	2	1	1	168		25	94	74	95	420	344	1027	3952
	Anth'y Shulenberger	China Grove, N. C.	Without Charge																								
14			St. John's, Kannapolis	1	87	81	38	5	1	9	14	1	1				1	154		62	86	98	53	100	111	448	1416
15	Lee A. Peeler	Kannapolis, N. C.	St. Paul's	1	70	65	26	1		4	3		1	1	1	1	1	101			83	85	70	55	200	493	594
16	A. Samuel Peeler	Lenoir, N. C.	Zion, Lenoir	1	66	58	12	1		4	1		1				1	85			265	124	60	528	187	1164	1670
17	C. C. Wagoner	Salisbury, N. C.	First, Salisbury	1	146	117	60	10	4	15	10	1		2	1		1	236		32	203	193	166	200	438	1200	2374
18			Emanuel	1	189	130	51	4	20	27			4		1		1	245		79					59	59	467
19	Dougan C. Cox	Thomasville N. C.	Calvary	1	100	75	1	1	3	5	1		2		1	2	1	130							42	42	242
20			Zion	1	147	80	23	2		15	2		6		3		1	156							35	38	250
21			Memorial, Maiden	1	80	77	38	6		8	1		2	3	1		1	185			90	75	150	480	118	1013	900
22	John A. Koons	Maiden, N. C.	Salem	1	32	30	15	3					1	1	1						28	28	55	190	139	360	280
23			St. Matthew's	1	82	80	51	8	3	13				3	6	1	1	88			52	40	67	263	120	542	745
24	Jacob A. Palmer	Thomasville, N. C.	Heidelberg, Thomasville	1	151	108	15	2	16	19	10	2	6	5	2		1	154			114	125	121	507	188	1055	1521
25			Hedrick's Grove	1	110	91	53	10						3			1	135								60	1427
26	John C. Peeler	Lexington, N. C., R. 2	Mt. Tabor	1	90	78	40	12	5	9	5			6	2		1	138								87	310
27			Jerusalem	1	31	24	20							7	1		1	65								18	225
28			Beck's	1	173	137	86	18	12	22	1			9	1	2	1	140								220	535
	Albert F. Nace	Atlanta, Ga.	Without Charge																								
29	Wm. C. Lyerly	Concord, N. C.	Trinity, Concord	1	144	129	35	1	4	13	12	2	7	7			1	219		90	357	361	154	897	430	2199	2193

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30			Shiloh	1	114	97	68	10	....	2	....	....	3	....	3	....	1	166	1	33	96	96	18	.....	29	355	68
31	Harvey A. Welker	Salisbury N. C., R. 3	Grace	1	126	124	70	5	....	5	1	....	7	....	....	....	1	179	....	28	120	120	23	466	.....	416	62
32			Mt. Hope	1	69	52	70	2	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	1	108	....	.....	27	27	5	100	.....	100	33
33	G. Ermine Plott	Winston-Salem, N. C.	Schlatter Mem. W. S.	1	89	60	7	.....	10	11	1	....	2	....	1	....	1	211	....	.....	64	72	44	107	22	271	54
34			St. Luke's	1	54	42	28	1	....	....	....	....	2	....	1	....	1	53	1	.....	23	33	31	.....	.....	87	14
35	H. A. M. Holshouser	Ph. D., Rockwell, N. C.	Ursinus, Rockwell	1	110	102	53	3	....	....	2	....	7	....	1	....	1	184	1	.....	92	93	63	.....	61	309	75
36			Bethany, Crescent	1	63	41	32	1	....	7	....	....	4	....	....	....	1	107	2	12	12	12	20	.....	36	80	17
37	Harvey A. Fesperman	Greensboro, N. C.	First, Greensboro	1	175	125	30	15	5	12	27	3	3	1	1	1	1	352	....	50	112	113	188	1219	159	2286	358
	A. D. Wolfinger, D.D.	Newton, N. C.	Pres. Catawba College																								
	H. G. Kopenhaver	Newton, N. C.	Prof. Catawba College																								
	Albert Klinger	Whitsett, N. C.	Without Charge																								
	Wm. B. Werner	Crescent N. C.	Supt. N. O. Home																								
38	Samuel J. Kirk	Burlington, N. C.	First, Burlington	1	158	113	75	.....	.....	.....	2	1	2	20	2	.....	1	195	....	25	.....	.....	.....	300	.....	885	166
	Frank L. Fesperman	Tokyo, Japan	Missionary to Japan																								
	Sterling W. Whitener	Yochow, China	Missionary to China																								
39	Milton Whitener	High Point, N. C.	First, High Point	1	174	86	36	1	10	14	11	2	4	7	1	1	1	360	....	64	163	150	104	727	192	1337	247
40			St. James' Mt. Pleas	1	81	42	32	.....	5	....	15	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	69	68	16	.....	332	.....	81
41	Chas. W. Warlick	Mt. Pleasant, N. C.	Bethel	1	246	229	66	.....	2	....	....	....	3	....	....	....	....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	30	1912	68	.....	51
42			Boger	1	80	50	33	.....	....	....	....	....	1	....	1	....	1	.....	....	.....	27	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	2
43	A. Odell Leonard	Lexington, N. C.	Second Lexington	1	124	76	12	.....	5	9	2	1	3	5	....	....	1	303	....	24	108	95	39	30	227	499	129
44	Banks J. Peeler	Lincolnton N. C.	Emanuel, Lincolnton	1	69	38	19	.....	....	....	1	....	....	3	1	....	1	65	....	30	58	63	40	110	30	582	66
45			Daniel's	1	50	45	10	3	....	1	....	....	....	4	....	....	1	52	....	.....	43	42	29	98	22	252	20
46	Vacant	Newton, N. C.	Grace, Newton	1	232	162	70	8	3	16	8	....	2	....	2	1	1	195	....	70	171	237	210	620	232	1520	518
47			St Paul's	1	114	75	25	9	2	5	1	....	....	....	1	2	1	115	....	.....	35	35	75	540	53	743	40
48	John B. Swartz	Newton, N. C., R. 1	Bethel	1	80	60	15	4	.....	5	3	2	....	....	....	....	1	80	....	.....	30	30	50	379	74	563	40
49			Grace	1	82	65	20	5	.....	6	1	....	....	....	....	....	1	110	....	.....	62	62	64	542	19	771	40
50			Mt. Hope	1	123	120	40	7	18	25	.....	....	22	1	2	....	1	205	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	443	243	686	41
51	Vacant	Julian, N. C., R. 1	Brick	1	100	51	18	.....	....	....	....	....	2	....	2	....	1	200	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200	35	235	4
52			St. Mark's	1	100	56	20	2	3	3	1	....	....	....	6	....	1	185	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200	107	307	255
53			Fairview	1	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
54			Symrna	1	43	37	25	1	.....	....	1	....	....	....	1	....	1	137	....	.....	32	37	.....	90	37	207	20
55	Vacant	Concord, N. C.	Bethany	1	43	26	20	4	.....	....	....	....	2	....	1	....	1	47	....	.....	18	17	.....	.....	9	60	16
56			Trinity-St. John's	1	100	84	42	2	.....	....	....	....	3	....	7	....	1	141	....	.....	83	84	46	810	85	1158	61
	Wm. C. Shaw Lic	Burlington N. C.	Without Charge																								
57		Concord, N. C.	New Gilead	1	124	98	54	1	1	4	.....	....	7	....	3	....	1	76	....	.....	60	65	15	280	153	573	60
58			Keller	1	58	52	26	1	1	12	2	....	1	1	1	....	1	77	....	.....	20	19	11	40	51	141	27
				58	6997	5317	2178	224	221	413	191	28	146	134	73	14	56	9007	10	734	4055	5269	2648	16235	6283	34675	6287

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1	First, Lexington	J. T. Hedrick	Lexington, N. C.	22	205	18	45	45	419		2100	Yes			1883	131300	30000	3500
2	First, Waughtown	J. S. Wear	Winston-Salem, N. C.	10	56	1					240	Yes			217		10000	3000
3	Hebron	T. H. Livingood	Winston-Salem, N. C., R. 5	8	37	1			25		235	Yes			150		3000	
4	Bethlehem	O. H. Bodenheimer	Winston-Salem, N. C., R. 5	4	26	1					48	Yes			96		2500	
5	Pilgrim	A. P. Long	Thomasville, N. C., R. 1	18	96				38		650	Yes					5000	5000
6	Beulah	E. R. Everheardt	Lexington N. C., R. 4	18	120				15		650	Yes					10000	
7	Bethany	W. A. Murphy	Thomasville, N. C., R. 1	8	40				11		300	Yes					3000	
8	Murphy Memorial	J. C. DeRhodes	Hickory N. C.	4					11		95				75			
9	Brookford	O. H. Hunt	Brookford, N. C.	6	40				15		176	No			115		1000	
10	Mt. Zion	J. E. Correll	China Grove, N. C.	12	105	25	42	58	360		775	Yes	500		675		30000	2500
11	First, Landis	J. P. Linn	Landis N. C.	8	43	10	30	8	650		625	Yes	800		164		25000	
12	Corinth, Hickory	J. W. Warlick	Hickory, N. C.	20	170	40	55	37	250	700	2400	Yes			2050	600	50000	7000
13	First Charlotte	J. L. Fulbright	Charlotte, N. C.	10	50	10	15	25	150	877	600	Yes	702	1800	850	150	48000	6000
14	St. John's, Kannap.	R. B. McCombs	Kannapolis, N. C.	8	33	5	10	8	31	15	550	Yes		541	325	50	50000	8000
15	St. Paul's	J. F. McKnight	China Grove, N. C., R. 3	8	18	5	9	15	55	15	300	Yes		50	218		2000	
16	Zoin, Lenoir	A. A. Blackwelder	Lenoir, N. C.	8	25	16	9	25	44	134	960	Yes	191	31	484	172	2500	2500
17	First, Salisbury	James W. Lyerly	Salisbury, N. C.	12	68	12	18	9	180	240	1100	Yes	411		863		25000	3000
18	Emanuel	H. A. Grimes	Thomasville, N. C.	10	70				100		450	Yes					1500	2000
19	Calvary	B. Black	Thomasville, N. C.	7	40				17		200	Yes			30		1500	
20	Zion	W. T. Murphy	Thomasville, N. C.	7	38				52		250	Yes			300	125	2000	1500
21	Memorial Maiden	S. M. Finger	Maiden N. C.	8	34	8	13	110	115	200	500	Yes		100			1800	
22	Salem	Jacob Ramseur	Lincolnton, N. C., R. 2	5	14	5	5	39	70	50	200	Yes			10	40	2500	
23	St. Matthew's	D. F. Campbell	Lincolnton, N. C., R. 4	8	39	3	14	55	38	60	300	Yes		27	420	50	4000	
24	Heidelberg, Thomasv.	F. M. Hunter	Thomasville, N. C.	12	76	1	20		60	108	800	Yes	336		385		6000	3000
25	Hedrick's Grove	Robert L. Beck	Lexington N. C., R. 2	8	36	3			20		427	Yes	1000	1000			18000	5000
26	Mt. Tabor	A. H. Kepley	Lexington, N. C., R. 2	8	35	3			28		280	Yes		500			2000	
27	Jerusalem	P. I. Younts	Lexington, N. C., R. 2	8	15	1			10		196	Yes		250			1500	
28	Beck's	W. Z. Greer	Lexington, N. C., R. 6	8	51	5			27		497	Yes		500			1500	
29	Trinity, Concord	J. H. A. Holshouser	Concord, N. C.	12	60	12	20	13	270	72	1150	Yes	50	475	568		5000	3000
30	Shiloh	J. D. A. Fisher	Salisbury, N. C. R. 3	8	35	12	18		315	18	610	Yes			685		25000	3500

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31	Grace	D. H. Corl	Rockwell, N. C., R. 1	8	60	12	.....	15	225	25	560	Yes	.....	.....	700	.....	6000	1500
32	Mt. Hope	George H. Pless	China Grove, N. C., R. 1	8	25	.....	.....	.....	7	.....	300	.....	.....	.....	60	.....	4000	.....
33	Schlatter Mem. W.-S.	E. M. Williard	Winston-Salem, N. C.	8	36	36	12	.....	34	.....	300	Yes	.....	.....	244	.....	40000	5000
34	St. Luke's	C. W. Peeler	Salisbury N. C., R. 6	6	17	17	5	.....	.....	.....	142	Yes	.....	.....	24	.....	1400	1500
35	Ursinus, Rockwell	J. L. Fisher	Rockwell, N. C.	8	39	10	17	.....	300	100	600	Yes	.....	.....	150	140	1500	.....
36	Bethany Crescent	Ray Lyerly	Crescent, N. C.	6	16	5	9	.....	45	70	146	Yes	.....	.....	18	.....	1000	.....
37	First, Greensboro	J. F. Troxler	Greensboro, N. C.	10	90	7	21	27	288	200	1233	Yes	1000	.....	1324	.....	30000	8000
38	First, Burlington	John R. Hoffman	Burlington, N. C.	12	65	7	.....	.....	100	.....	1050	Yes	300	.....	1248	480	5000	6000
39	First, High Point	H. G. Hedrick	High Point, N. C.	12	90	11	23	.....	.....	5	892	Yes	200	.....	1379	.....	25000	8000
40	St. James', Mt.Pleas.	O. A. Barringer	Mt. Pleasant, N. C.	8	25	.....	13	.....	109	233	381	Yes	.....	.....	398	.....	3000	3000
41	Bethel	A. H. Penninger	Gold Hill N. C., R. 3	8	50	6	.....	.....	185	.....	687	Yes	.....	.....	.....	.....	6000	.....
42	Boger	E. C. Sapp	Concord, N. C.	6	24	.....	.....	.....	37	.....	80	Yes	.....	.....	.....	.....	1500	.....
43	Second, Lexngton	T. A. Swing	Lexington, N. C.	12	66	3	29	11	59	.....	537	No	.....	.....	763	1200	2500	.....
44	Emanuel, Lincolnton	James A. Shuford	Lincolnton, N. C.	6	33	7	11	.....	38	.....	400	Yes	.....	.....	144	.....	25000	7000
45	Daniel's	J. R. Warlick	Lincolnton, N. C.	6	17	6	8	.....	.....	.....	400	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3000	.....
46	Grace Newton	J. B. Leonard	Newton N. C.	12	75	.....	32	24	131	40	2000	Yes	.....	.....	1916	1000	8000	6000
47	St. Paul's	J. R. Fulbright	Newton N. C.	8	38	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	433	Yes	.....	.....	.....	.....	2000	1500
48	Bethel	G. L. Whitener	Hickory, N. C.	8	32	2	.....	.....	6	.....	433	Yes	.....	.....	.....	.....	2500	.....
49	Grace	A. M. Icard	Lincolnton, N. C.	6	35	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	433	Yes	.....	.....	.....	.....	2500	.....
50	Mt. Hope	R. B. Andrew	Sedalia N. C.	10	81	.....	.....	.....	81	.....	266	Yes	.....	.....	146	.....	3000	1000
51	Brick	James Shepherd	Burlington, N. C. R. 10	10	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60	.....	3000	.....
52	St. Mark's	E. C. Rumbly	Burlington, N. C., R. 4	8	42	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	.....	2500	.....
53	Fairview	Charlie Clapp	Whitsett, N. C.	1	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1500	.....
54	Smyrna	B. A. Hildebrand	Catawba, N. C. R. 2	8	19	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	200	Yes	.....	.....	.....	.....	500	1000
55	Bethany	L. P. Wilson	Claremont, N. C., R. 1	6	22	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100	Yes	.....	.....	.....	.....	600	.....
56	Trinity-St. John's	A. L. Shuford	Conover, N. C.	8	33	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	600	Yes	.....	.....	.....	.....	2000	.....
57	New Gilead	Fred Neisler	Concord, N. C. R. 3	8	56	8	.....	7	117	29	420	Yes	.....	.....	67	.....	2500	1000
58	Keller	Aaron S. Cook	Concord, N. C. R. 3	6	22	1	.....	5	27	17	230	Yes	.....	.....	12	.....	1000	.....
				512	2826	356	503	536	5165	3208	28127		5490	6274	19286	135307	599000	109000

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Art. XXVI. Adjournment.

MEETING OF CLASSIS, JUNE 30, 1922.

The Classis met in harmony with the following call: Lexington, N. C., June 16, 1922. Dear Brother:—There will be a meeting of the Classis of North Carolina in the First Reformed Church, Salisbury, June 30, 1922, at 1 o'clock p. m., to attend to the following: 1. Resignation of Rev. A. S. Peeler as pastor of Zion Reformed Cruch, Lenoir. 2. Reports of any special committees. 3. Report of the Commission on the Faith Charge. 4. An overture of Shiloh Reformed Church, Faith Charge, to be constituted a mission church, with the request that Classis ask the Board of Home Missions to enroll same with proper support. Please notify your elder. By order of the President. J. C. Leonard, Stated Clerk. Devotional services were conducted by Rev. S. Peeler. Prayer was offered by Rev. J. C. Leonard. The following members were present: Revs. J. C. Leonard, J. M. L. Lyerly, J. D. Andrew, W. H. McNairy, J. H. Keller, W. W. Rowe, S. Peeler, A. Shulenberger, A. S. Peeler, C. C. Wagoner, J. A. Koons, J. A. Palmer, W. C. Lyerly, H. A. Welker, H. A. Fesperman, C. W. Warlick, A. O. Leonard, B. J. Peeler, W. C. Shaw; Elders B. S. Shuford, M. G. Lentz, E. A. Rothrock, J. J. Correll, J. R. Warlick, E. D. Fox, G. H. Pless. The business was disposed of in the following action:

1. The pastoral relation between Rev. A. S. Peeler and Zion Church of Lenoir was dissolved and the charge declared vacant.

2. The following reports were received and adopted:

a. Notice of the reception of Licentiate Felix B. Peck by Maryland Classis.

b. Your committee appointed to ordain Licentiate A. Odell Leonard and install him pastor of the Second Reformed Church of Lexington beg leave to report that this duty was duly attended to Sunday evening, May 21, 1922, in the said Second Church of Lexington, all the members of the committee being present and taking part in the solemn services.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. LEONARD, Chairman.

c. Your committee appointed to ordain and install Licentiate Banks J. Peeler as pastor of the Lincolnton Charge beg leave to report that this duty was attended to on the evening of May 28, 1922, at 8 o'clock in Emanuel Reformed Church, Lincolnton. Every member of the committee was present. Rev. W. W. Rowe preached the sermon, Dr. A. D. Wolfinger conducted the liturgical part of the service, and Elder A. L. Shuford brought a message for the congregation.

Respectfully submitted,
W. W. ROWE, Chairman.

d. Your committee to install Dr. J. M. L. Lyerly pastor of the Waughtown Charge beg leave to report this duty attended to Sunday, June 25, 1922, at Hebron, one of the three churches of the charge, all the members of the committee being present and taking part.

Respectfully submitted,
J. A. PALMER, Chairman.

e. Your committee attended to the duty, installing Rev. C. W. Warlick pastor of the Bear Creek Charge. The services were held in Bethel Church June 25, 1922, at 11 o'clock a. m. Rev. H. A. M. Holshouser preached the sermon. The service was conducted by all the members of the committee.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. LYERLY, Chairman.

3. The Commission on the Faith Charge offered the following report:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

The commission appointed to make an investigation of conditions in the Faith Charge beg leave to state that a thorough investigation was made, and our findings made to the Joint Consistory, which they resented; therefore we submit the whole matter to Classis for settlement. The following was our report to the Joint Consistory:

The committee appointed to investigate the condition of affairs in the Faith Charge after careful consideration recommend the following:

1. That the several churches of the charge come together and work in harmony during the remainder of the present pastorate.

2. We prayerfully beseech all the members of the churches to forget the past and rally to the support of the whole work of the Church.

3. That the present pastoral relation be terminated by September 1, 1922.

Respecfully submitted,

SHUFORD PEELER,
A. S. PEELER,
JOHN W. HEDRICK.

Opportunity was given all representatives of the three churches of the Faith Charge and the members of Classis to discuss the subject fully and freely, which was done at great length. The report was adopted.

The expense item of the Commission was referred to the Treasurer for payment, $6.89.

4. The following resolution was adopted:

Whereas, By the action of the Classis of North Carolina just taken all the members of the several churches of the Faith Charge have been advised and urged to support all the activities of church work therein and to meet all the financial obligations of the said churches, and

Whereas, the Classis has further advised the termination of the present pastorate by September first of the present year in the interest of peace and harmony in the whole Faith Charge, and

Wheras, This action of Classis was based upon the agreement of the Joint Consistory of the Faith Charge to accept and abide by the conclusions of the Commission of Classis, appointed for the purpose of bringing about peace and harmony in the Faith Charge, therefore,

Resolved, That Classis advises against the division of the said Faith Charge, in answer to the request of the Consistory of Shiloh Church of the Faith Charge that the said Shiloh Church be detached from the said Faith Charge and the Board of Home Missions be requested to enroll Shiloh Church as a mission and provide for the support of the pastor.

The Minutes were read and approved, and the Classis adjourned in form.

J. A. PALMER, President,
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

MEETING OF CLASSIS, DEC. 15, 1922.

Due notice having been sent out, the following members of the Classis of North Carolina met in the First Reformed Church, Salisbury, December 15, 1922, at 2.45 o'clock. p. m.: Revs. J. C. Leonard, W. H. McNairy, J. H. Keller, S, Peeler, A. Shulenberger, L. A. Peeler, A S. Peeler, D. C. Cox, J. A. Palmer, J. C. Peeler, W. C. Lyerly, H. A. Welker, H. A. M. Holshouser, H. A. Fesperman, M. Whitener, A. O. Leonard, J. B. Swartz, W. H. Causey; Elders B. S. Shuford, M. G. Lentz, E. A. Rothrock, J. J. Correll, John W. Hedrick, G. H. Pless; advisory members: G. A. Fisher, R. L. Holshouser, H. G. Foil, J. A. Peeler, C. J. Shive, T. M. Byrd, J. D. A. Fisher, G. H. Moose. Devotional services were conducted by Rev. J. C. Peeler. The items of the call were disposed of in the following action:

1 and 2. Mr. Luther Holshouser, of Shiloh Church, Faith Charge, was extended the privileges of the floor of Classis to present the wishes of the said church. Following him, the same privilege was extended the representatives of the several churches of the Faith Charge. The following action was taken:

Whereas, This same request to constitute Shiloh Church of the Faith Charge a separate charge, and petition the Board of Home Missions to enroll it as a mission, was considered at a former well attended meeting of the Classis of North Carolina, and it was the judgement of the Classis that the granting of the request was impracticable, and

Whereas, the Consistory of the said church is now renewing that request, therefore,

Resolved, That for the purpose of having the judgment of the Board of Missions on the main point, that of the enrollment of the church as a mission, the Classis of North Carolina hereby refers the overture of the Consistory of Shiloh Church, Faith Charge, to the Board of Missions for consideration.

3. The following report was received and adopted:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

The Solliday Beneficiary Committee beg leave to make the following report in regard to Student Fred R. Sowers:

In view of the fact that certain conditions developed at Catawba College that made it necessary for Student Sowers to withdraw from

school and thereby cease his work as a student for the Gospel Ministry, therefore your committee would recommend that Classis take note of this fact, and that also official notice be given the Board of Education of Potomac Synod that Mr. Sowers is no longer a student for the Gospel Ministry under the care of this Classis, and that his name be dropped from the roll of the Board of Education of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. ROWE, Chairman.

4. Rev. Wm. H. Causey was received from the Classis of Virginia, Potomac Synod, and his name placed on the roll of ministers.

5. The call from the First Reformed Church of Salisbury to Rev. W. H. Causey was found in order and confirmed. The following were appointed to install him pastor: Revs. J. H. Keller, P. M. Trexler, Elder B. S. Shuford.

6. The pastoral relation between Rev. G. E. Plott and Schlatter Memorial Reformed Church of Winston-Salem was dissolved and the charge declared vacant after December 31, 1922.

7. Rev. G. E. Plott was dismissed to Maryland Classis, Synod of the Potomac.

8. Rev. Milton Whitener was elected Treasurer of Classis to fill the unexpired term of Rev. G. E. Plott.

9. Rev. H. A. Fesperman and Elder John W. Hedrick were appointed to audit the books of the retiring Treasurer, and turn same over to the new Treasurer.

The expense bill of the meeting was reported to be $25.48. Classis ordered that this sum be paid in equal parts by Classis and the Consistory of Shiloh Reformed Church.

The Minutes were read and approved, and the Classis adjourned with the Benediction by Rev. D. C. Cox.

J. A. PALMER, President,

J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

NINETY- THIRD ANNUAL SESSIONS
ACTS AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

CLASSIS OF NORTH CAROLINA

OF THE

REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES

ARTICLE 1.
OPENING OF CLASSIS.

The Classis of North Carolina, Synod of the Potomac, Reformed Church in the United States, met in ninety-third annual sessions in the First Reformed Church, Charlotte, North Carolina, Wednesday evening, May 2, A. D. 1923, at 8 o'clock. The sermon was preached by the President, Rev. J. A. Palmer, of Thomasville, from Luke 8: 11—"The seed is the Word of God." Rev. C. C. Wagoner, of Salisbury, conducted the liturgical services. After the sermon the Holy Communion was administered by Revs. Milton Whitener, of High Point, and J. A. Koons, of Maiden. The President then ordered the calling the roll and a quorum was found present.

ARTICLE II.
MEMBERS PRESENT.

Ministers—J. C. Leonard, D. D., J. D. Andrew, W. H. McNairy, J. H. Keller, W. W. Rowe, Shuford Peeler, L. A. Peeler, A. S. Peeler, C. C. Wagoner, D. C. Cox, J. A. Koons, J. A. Palmer, J. C. Peeler, W. C. Lyerly, H. A. Welker, H. A. M. Holshouser, Ph. D., H. A. Fesperman, A. D. Wolfinger, D. D., H. G. Kopenhaver, Milton Whitener, C. W. Warlick, A. O. Leonard, B. J. Peeler, J. B. Swartz, W. C. Shaw (Lic.), W. H. Causey.

Elders—J. W. Warlick, E. C. Euliss, D. F. Campbell, J. T. Hedrick, T. A. Swing, S. C. Burkhart, S. J. Sink, E. T. Hedrick, C. W. Holshouser, H. W. Coble, A. A. Blackwelder, L. W. Safrit, J. R. Warlick, E. D. Fox, W. C. Rose, J. P. Linn, E. S. Kluttz, J. B. Leonard, M. C. Barnhart, K. L. Long, H V. Ragan, J. H. A. Holshouser, W. C. Lemmons, E. A. Sink, J. D. A. Fisher, J. E. Misenheimer.

Advisory Members—Rev. C. E. Schaeffer, D. D., representing the Board of Home Missions; Rev. J. G. Rupp, the Board of Foreign Missions; Elders—B. J. Summerrow, C. E. Dechant, G. H. Moose, W. A. Lyerly, R. J. Kluttz, G. A. Fisher, W. S. Wagoner, J. M. Holshouser, J. A. Propst, W. R. Weaver, R. F. Cline, A. L. Shuford, J. W. Peeler, J. A. Peeler, David Peeler.

Visiting Brethren—Rev. W. A. Lutz, D. D., Lutheran Church; Rev. G. L. Curry, Methodist Protestant Church.

The following charges were not represented by elders — South Fork, West Hickory, Catawba.

ROLL OF ELDERS.

Charge	Primarius	Secundus
Corinth, Hickory	Jesse W. Warlick	Charles C. Bost
Guilford	Eli C. Euliss	Charles V. Boone
Zion-Landis	Wilson Deal	J. Press Linn
Bear Creek	George Boger	Ervin S. Kluttz
South Fork	G. Summey Wilfong	George D. Herman
Lincoln	Daniel F. Campbell	C. Frank Bumgarner
Grace, Newton	Perry W. Bost	Jesse B. Leonard
First, Lexington	J. Tilden Hedrick	D. Lee Brinkley
Second, Lexington	Theo. A. Swing	Murry P. Bain
First, Salisbury	M. C. Barnhart	L. J. Shive
Lower Davidson	Samuel C. Burkhart	J. O. Briggs
Upper Davidson	Jos. H. Leonard	Samuel J. Sink
First, High Point	Emery T. Hedrick	Edgar Whitener
Heidelberg, Thomasville	Kieffer L. Long	Wm. G. Hinkle
Emanuel	H. V. Ragan	J. M. Cecil
Trinity, Concord	J. H. A. Holshouser	Jacob O. Moose
First, Greensboro	C. W. Holshouser	J. T. Plott
First, Burlington	Luther A. Sharpe	Herbert W. Coble
Zion, Lenoir	A. A. Blackwelder	J. P. Rabb
Waughtown	W. C. Lemmons	Edgar V. McGee
Rockwell	L. W. Safrit	Adam M. Lyerly
Winston-Salem	Everett A. Sink	Emery M. Williard
Lincolnton	Jacob R. Warlick	Columbus C. Leonard
West Hickory	T. W. Mooney	M. E. Throneburg
First, Charlotte	Eugene D. Fox	J. Lester Fulbright
Faith	Thomas M. Byrd	John D. A. Fisher
Catawba		
Kannapolis	W. C. Rose	John F. McKnight
Gilead	Aaron S. Cook	Jno. E. Meisenheimer

ARTICLE III.

ELECTION OF OFFIERS.

The following were elected officers of Classis: Rev. John A. Koons, Maiden, N. C., President; Elder Jesse W. Warlick, Hickory, N. C., Vice President; Rev. Banks J. Peeler, Lincolnton, N. C., Corresponding Secretary; Rev. A. Odell Leonard, Lexington, N. C., Reading Clerk; Rev. Milton Whitener, High Point, N. C., Treasurer; Rev. Jacob C. Leonard, D. D., Lexington, N. C., continues Stated Clerk.

ARTICLE IV.

PERMANENT COMMITTEES.

1. Executive Committee—Revs. J. A. Koons, J. C. Leonard, Elder J. T. Hedrick.

2. Sunday Schools—Revs. B. J. Peeler, A. O. Leonard, Elder J. H. A. Holshouser.

3. Missionary and Stewardship—Revs. Shuford Peeler, H. A. Fesperman, J. A. Koons, Elders J. P. Linn, H. W. Coble.

4. Rebecca Solliday Church Building Fund—Rev. C. C. Wagoner, 3 years; Rev. H. A. Fesperman, 2 years; Elder J. B. Leonard, 1 year.

5. George G. Solliday Beneficiary Education Fund—Revs. W. W. Rowe, A. D. Wolfinger, Elder J. B. Leonard.

6. Trustees of Classis—Rev. W. W. Rowe, Elders J. A. Propst, T. L. Hunsucker.

7. Vacancy and Supply—Revs. J. A. Koons, J. C. Leonard, Elder J. T. Hedrick.

8. Young People's Societies—Revs. J. C. Peeler, C. C. Wagoner, Elder L. W. Safrit.

9. Religious Literature—Revs. H. A. Fesperman, W. H. McNairy, Elder H. W. Coble.

10. Social Service and Rural Work—Revs. J. C. Peeler, J. H. Keller, Elder D. F. Campbell.

11. Temperance—Revs. J. A. Koons, D. C. Cox, Elder M. C. Barnhart.

12. Historical Society—Revs. J. C. Leonard, W. W. Rowe, M. C. Barnhart.

13. Forward Movement—Rev. W. C. Lyerly, Elders J. T. Plott, J. T. Hedrick, J. W. Peeler, E. S. Shuford, W. R. Weaver, J. B. Leonard.

ARTICLE V.

RULES OF ORDER.

General Synod's Rules of Order were observed. The President defined the Bar of the House to be the first six rows of pews in front of the chancel. The following hours were fixed for opening and closing the sessions: Meet at 9 o'clock a. m. and close at 5 p. m., with a recess from 12 noon to 1.30 p. m.

ARTICLE VI.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

1. Religious Services—S. Peeler, H. A. Welker, E. D. Fox.

2. Minutes of Classis—J. C. Leonard, B. J. Peeler, E. C. Euliss.

3. Minutes of Potomac Synod—M. Whitener, C. C. Wagoner, H. W. Coble.

4. Overtures—W. C. Lyerly, A. O. Leonard, D. F. Campbell.

5. Missions—H. A. Fesperman, A. S. Peeler, J. R Warlick

6. Benevolent Institutions—H. A. M. Holshouser, B. J. Peeler, T. A. Swing.

7. Education—W. W. Rowe, J. H. Keller, J. T. Hedrick.

8. State of the Church—J. A. Palmer, H. A. Fesperman, J. W. Warlick.

9. Nominations—L. A. Peeler, C. W. Warlick, S. C. Burkhart.
10. Finance—W. H. McNairy, L. A. Peeler, E. T. Hedrick.
11. Examination and Licensure—J. D. Andrew, J. A. Palmer, S. J. Sink
12. Young People's Societies—J. C. Peeler, C. C. Wagoner, L. W. Safrit.
13. Press—J .H Keller, S. Peeler, W. H. Causey, A. A. Blackwelder, J.W. Warlick.
14. Leave of Absence—J. B. Swartz, C. W. Warlick, C. W. Holshouser.
15. Necrology—J. C. Leonard, H. A. M. Holshouser, W. C. Rose.

ARTICLE VII.
COMMUNICATIONS.

1. Copies of the Minutes of Classis and of the Synod of the Potomac were referred to the committees on these subjects.
2. The Treasurer's report was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.
3. The report of the Trustees of Catawba College was read and referred to the Committee on Education.
4. Reports from the Boards of Missions were referred to the Committee on Missions.
5. Reports of the Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home, the Relief Society and the Sunday School Board were read and referred to the proper committees.
6. Other communications were received and referred to the Committee on Overtures.

ARTICLE VIII.
RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

The sessions of each day were opened and closed with devotional services. The Standing Committee on this subject presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Religious Services beg leave to make the following report:

Wednesday evening, May 2, at 8 o'clock, Rev. C. C. Wagoner, presiding; sermon by Rev. J. A. Palmer, retiring President. Communion in charge of Revs. M. Whitener and J. A. Koons. Organization of Classis. Address of Welcome by Elder C. H. A. Rupp. Thursday night at 8 o'clock, Rev. W. W. Rowe, presiding. Theme for devotion: "Living Unto Him," Rev. W. H. Causey. Illustrated lecture, "The Church in Action," Rev. Jacob G. Rupp, Allentown, Pa. Friday afternoon, automobile trip over the city. Friday night at 8 o'clock, Rev. J. C. Peeler presiding. Theme for devotion: "Service Unto Him," Rev. A. O. Leonard. Address, Rev. C. E. Schaeffer, D. D., Philadelphia, Pa. Sunday, May

6. 10 o'clock a. m., Sunday School address by Rev. J. B. Swartz, who will also sing a special song. 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m., sermons by Rev. C. E. Schaeffer, D. D., General Secretary of the Board of Missions, the occasion being in celebration of the 5th anniversary of the entrance of the congregation into the new church.

Respectfully submitted,

SHUFORD PEELER,
H. A. WELKER,
E. D. FOX.

ARLTICLE IX.
PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

Reports were presented by the several ministers of the Classis. The Constitutional questions were asked, and the elders gave satisfactory answers. The reports were referred to the Committee on the State of the Church.

ARTICLE X.
MINUTES OF CLASSIS.

The committee presented the following report, which was considered by items and finally adopted as a whole:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on the Minutes of Classis beg leave to present the following items of unfinished business:

1. Page 11. a. Executive Committee. b. Sunday Schools. c. Missionary and Stewardship. d. Rebecca Solliday Church Building Fund. e. George G. Solliday Beneficiary Education Fund. f. Trustees of Classis. g. Vacancy and Supply. h. Young People's Societies. i. Religious Literature. j. Social Service and Rural Work. k. Temperance. l. Historical Society. m. Forward Movement.

2. Page 22. The Hopewell Interest was committeed to Rev. G. E. Plott.

3. Page 24. The Commission on the Bethel Church Property consists of Rev. J. C. Peeler and Elders John W. Hedrick and J. T. Hedrick.

4. Page 24. The Stated Clerk was appointed Informant to General Synod's Board of Ministerial Relief.

5. Page 24. Rev. W. C. Lyerly was appointed supply for the Gilead Charge.

6. Pages 27, 31, 64, 65, 66. The Corresponding Secretary was given certain instructions.

7. Page 32. Trustees of Catawba College and Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home were instructed to take care of ministers connected with those institutions in the same way that Classis insures its pastors through General Synod's Board of Ministerial Relief and Sustentation.

8. Page 39. The church at Whitsett and the interest at Gibsonville were placed in the hands of Rev. H. A. Fesperman and Elders J. T. Plott and J. R. Hoffman, with certain powers.

9. Page 40. Sustentation was granted Rockwell and Catawba Charges on certain conditions.

10. Page 40. Request of the Gilead Charge for pastoral oversight was referred to the Committee on Social Service and Rural Work.

11. Page 40. Staff of the Reformed Church Standard.

12. Page 54. Certain instructions given the Treasurer.

13. Page 65. Classis requires an Every-Member Canvass in each congregation.

14. Page 66. St. Peter's Church property placed in the hands of the Trustees.

15. Special. Revs. J. H. Keller, P. M. Trexler and Elder B. S. Shuford were appointed to install Rev. W. H. Causey pastor of the First Church, Salisbury.

16. Special. Rev. H. A. Fesperman and Elder John W. Hedrick were appointed to audit the books of Rev. G. E. Plott, retiring Treasurer, and turn the same over to the new Treasurer, Rev. Milton Whitener.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. LEONARD,
B. J. PEELER,
E. C. EULISS.

The action on the several items follows:

1. The following report was received and adopted:

(a) To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

During the year the Executive Committee transacted the following business: 1. August 24, 1922, received Rev. John B. Swartz from Tiffin Classis, Ohio Synod, confirmed a call to him from the South Fork Charge, and appointed Revs. J. A. Koons, B. J. Peeler and Elder C. C. Leonard to install him. On the same date dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. C. C. Wagoner and the First Church of Salisbury; also confirmed a call to Rev. C C. Wagoner from Grace Church, Newton, and appointed Revs. J. B. Swartz, H. G. Kopenhaver and Elder A. L. Shuford to install him. 2. October 2, 1922, dismissed Rev. W. B. Werner to Maryland Classis, Potomac Synod. 3. Nov. 25, 1922, received Henry Grady Shoffner as a student for the ministry; dismissed Rev. A. Klinger to Maryland Classis, Potomac Synod; received and adopted the report stating that Rev. J. B. Swartz was installed pastor of the South Fork Charge September 24, 1922; dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. S. J. Kirk and the First Church of Burlington and dismissed him to Goshenhoppen Classis, Eastern Synod. 4. February 9, 1923, the President and Stated Clerk changed the time of the annual meeting of Classis from May 8th to May 2, 1923, at 8 o'clock p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

(b) The Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Sunday School Work offer the following report: The committee has received reports from all schools of Classis save one, and note with pleasure indications of faithful service and commendable progress. There was a substantial gain in scholars and a greater percentage of average attendance in proportion than last year. Last year contributions fell below those of the preceding; reports show an encouraging increase for the closing year. There has been a decrease in the use of Reformed Lesson Helps of three; the already too small number of 7 Teacher Training Classes with 90 pupils enrolled was decreased to 4 classes wtih 44 pupils this year.

In March, 1923, Sunday School Institutes were held in High Point, Rockwell and Newton respectively under the leadership of Dr. Chas. Peters, Director of Religious Education of the Church. These Institutes met with gratifying success from point of attendance and instruction.

In addition to the regular Classical statistical report on Sunday School work a report of the Publication and Sunday School Board to General Synod, to be sent to each Classis, came into our hands, regarding the Children's Christian Educatoin Foundation. It is a plan to continue the movement authorized by General Synod to secure $100,000 for the endowment of the Educational and S. S. Missionary Work of the Board. The money received from this Foundation to be invested in the Schaff Building, but the interest to be paid to the Educational and Missionary and Young People's Departments of the Board.

The committee suggest the following recommendations:

1. That the Children's Christian Education Foundation as recommended by the Board be presented to the various schools of the Classis following the outline as suggested in the recommendation.

2. That in view of the fact that there is a decrease in Teacher Training Classes while the present standard of efficiency in Sunday Schools calls for the best possible training; that pastors and superintendents be urged to conduct Teacher Training and Christian Leadership Classes wherever possible.

3. That as far as at all possible Sunday Schools use Reformed Lesson Helps.

The expenses of the committee for postage and advertising S. S. Institutes, etc., were $3.50. Respectfully submitted,

B. J. PEELER.

(c) To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Dear Fathers and Brethren:—Your Missionary and Stewardship Committee offer the following report:

We have printed reports of all apportionment monies received from the several congregations within the Classis at different times during the year. In connection with those reports we have tried to arouse all our congregations to get in the 100 per cent. column on apportionment. We have written to ministers and laymen urging their congregations to pay the full apportionment. We have sug-

gested that some congregations pay more than 100 per cent. in order to help out the weaker congregations. We have talked to ministers and laymen on this subject whenever opportunity presented itself. We have urged Auxiliary Committees to visit certain congregations within their several districts and render any possible assistance to secure the full apportionment. We called attention, through the colums of the Standard and by correspondence, to the importance of keeping the subject of Stewardship before the people, and urged the observance of Stewardship Acknowledgment Week. We offered our services to serve as judges in the Stewardship Essay Contest conducted by the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee of General Synod.

The following congregations have paid their apportionment in full: Burlington; Fairview; First, Greensboro; First, High Point; Heidelberg, Thomasville; Schlatter Memorial, Winston-Salem; First, Waughtown; First and Second, Lexington; First, Salisbury; Ursinus, Rockwell; Shiloh, Faith; Mt. Zion; First, Landis; St. John's and St. Paul's, Kannapolis; Trinity, Concord; St James', Mt. Pleasant; Boger; First, Charlotte; Emanuel, Lincolnton; Daniel's; Memorial, Maiden; Matthew's; Salem; Grace, Newton; Corinth, Hickory, and Zion's, Lenoir, making a total of 28 congregations, compared with 25 congregations last year. We note with pleasure that four congregations arose in the 100 per cent. column this year that did not pay in full last year; and we regret to note that one congregation that paid in full last year did not do so this year.

We feel that Classis should have called to its attention that 11 congregations paid nothing on Home Missions and 6 others less than $10. Likewise 13 congregations paid nothing on Foreign Missions and 5 others less than $10. We have paid $15,872.46 on apportionment this year, over against $12,343.87 last year. We note with pleasure an increase of $3528.59. We have paid 76.9 per cent. of our total apportionment this year over against 67 per cent. last year. We have paid 71.6 per cent. of General Synod's apportionments for Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Ministerial Relief and Publication and Sunday School Board.

Your committee wishes to make the following recommendations:

1. (a) That all pastors be requested to present the subject of Stewardship to their several congregations on May 13th and 20th, or some other suitable Sundays before June 15th, urging and enlisting our people to become tithers, also by laying special emphasis on the paying of the full apportionment for the coming year.

(b) That all pastors and Consistories be requested to launch, immediately following the above dates, whatever effort is necessary to pay the full apportionment.

2. That all pastors and Consistories be requested to call on the members of the Classical Missionary and Stewardship Committee living in their respective districts for any needed assistance in launching "A Full Apportionment Campaign," as above suggested.

3. That all congregational Treasurers be requested to send a monthly quota of their full apportionment to the Classical Treasu-

rer at the end of each month with the same degree of regularity that they pay their pastor's salary.

4. That all Consistories be urged to make an annual Every-Member Canvass and use the duplex envelopes.

5. That the District Auxiliary Committees be abolished and that the Classical Missionary and Stewardship Committee be increased to 5 members, and that the same be appointed annually.

The expense of the committee is $6.21.

Respectfully submitted,

L. A. PEELER,
JOHN A. KOONS.

(d) To the Classis of North Carolina:

The Rebecca Solliday Church Building Fund Committee beg leave to report that the following are the outstanding loans of this fund:

Charlotte	$1000.00
Charlotte	750.00
Thomasville	900.00
Schlatter Memorial	400.00
Total Loans	$3050.00

Balance on hand of this Fund, $431.81.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. ROWE,
H. A. FESPERMAN,
J. B. LEONARD.

(e) To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on the Solliday Beneficiary Fund beg leave to make the following report:

There are at present eight young men under the care of this Classis. Six of these have received aid from this Fund during the past year. They are classified as follows:

Catawba College.

Thomas R. Safrit (Junior)	$100 00
Sidney Safrit (Junior)	100 00
Hoy L. Fesperman (Junior)	100 00
Charlie E. Hiatt (Junior)	100 00
Grady Shoffner (Freshman)	100 00

Central Seminary.

O. Bain Michael (Senior)	$100 00
Harvey W. Black (Junior)	Nothing

Student John Causey has been unable to continue his studies during the year on account of sickness. Student Gurney Peeler requests to be released from the care of Classis, and your committee recommend that the request be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. ROWE,
J. B. LEONARD,
A. D. WOLFINGER.

Revs. C. C. Wagoner, A. D. Wolfinger and Elder J.B. Leonard were appointed on this committee.

(f) To the Classis of North Carolina:

In accordance with the action of Classis at the last annual meeting your Trustees have deeded over to Trinity Reformed Church, Conover, the St. Peter's Church property with money to the amount of $135.10 with interest from May 3, 1922, to be used for the benefit of the parsonage fund of said charge.

Respectfully submitted,
WALTER W. ROWE,
T. L. HUNSUCKER,
J. A. PROPST.

(g) To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Vacancy and Supply beg leave to report that during the year we have succeeded in helping several vacant charges to secure pastors. We regret that the following charges are still vacant: Waughtown, Lenoir, Faith, Guilford, Catawba, Gilead. The committee has only advisory power and hence often is handicapped in its efforts to render assistance in placing pastors.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

(h) To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Young People's Societies beg leave to report that upon the examination of the statistical reports we have learned that there has been an increase of six societies and a substantial increase in membership of 233, while the contributions for all departments of church work show a decrease of $130.00. This decrease in contributions is found in the column "To Local Church and Expenses of Society."

We rejoice that a majority of our societies were represented at the Summer Missionary Conference.

Your committee recommend the following:

1. That Classis do its utmost to have the young people of every congregation organized.
2. That the Classical chairman write each organization urging a large representation at the Missionary Conference.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN A. KOONS, Chairman.

(i) To the Reverend Classis:

Since the chairman of the Committee on Religious Literature moved from the Classis in the midst of the year, we regret very much to report that nothing definite has been done.

Respectfully submitted,
B. J. PEELER.

(j) To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Social Service and Rural Work desire to submit their report as follows:

The Commission on Social Service and Rural Work have been working hard during the year. More publicity has been given this work

than ever before. Numerous articles have appeared in the church papers, a special department has been a regular feature in the Outlook of Missions, "Social Implications of the Lesson" appear regularly in the Heidelberg Teacher and in the Adult Quarterly, and for the first time an Industrial Number of The Christian World and of The Reformed Church Messenger was issued for the observance of Labor Day. A number of very helpful bulletins have been issued and distributed by members of the Commission during the year. We would call attention to the one distributed at this meeing of Classis, "The Soul of the Rural Community," by Rev. Paul D. Yoder. A Rural Loan Library of about one hundred books has been started as a part of the Library Service of the Theological Seminary at Lancaster. These books may be read by rural pastors or any others interested, at the cost of the postage both ways. Ohio Synod last fall appointed a committee to provide similar library service. The Commission will again co-operate in sending rural pastors to Summer Schools. A course will be given at the following places: Lancaster, Pa., Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, and Wisconsin University, Madison, Wis.

A general survey of our rural churches and communities is being made as a preliminary part of a larger program of service in behalf of the Rural Reformed Church. We regret to report that this survey has met with a very poor response in the North Carolina Classis. Mr. Ralph S. Adams, layman, was appointed by the Board of Home Missions at the annual meeting last July, by recommendation of our Commission, as Rural Church Field Worker, and has entered upon his duties.

We submit the following recommendations:

1. That the educational material available be examined by pastors and workers, and used if deemed of service.
2. That the pastors avail themselves of the Loan Library Service.
3. That the pastors attend the Summer School of Rural Pastors, and that the attention of Consistories be called to the wisdom of aiding their pastors to attend these Summer Schools.
4. That the rural pastors or Secretaries of Consistories who have not filled out their survey questionaires be urged to do so at once.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. PEELER,
J. H. KELLER.

(k) To the Reverend North Carolina Classis:

Your Committee on Temperance beg leave to report that we have co-operated with the Prohibition forces and Anti-Saloon League in upholding the Volstead Act and creating sentiment for law enforcement.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. KOONS,
J. J. CORRELL.

(l) To the Reverend Classis:

Your Committee on the Historical Society beg leave to report that we have attended to our duties during he year and have sent up such documents as came into our hands. We desire to call at-

tention to the effort now being made by Potomac Synod to gather the history of all the congregations in the said Synod, this material to be deposited with the Historical Society and eventually to be published in book form.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. LEONARD.

(m) To the Classis of North Carolina:

The Permanent Committee on Forward Movement submit the following report and recommendations:

The committee has had no meeting during the year. We note that 10 churches have reported in proper column in statistical report that they paid on Forward Movement pledges $13,903. There are churches that have made no payment on Forward Movement pledges — Shiloh of the Faith Charge; Faith, Brookford, and the First, Landis. There are 12 churches that made no payment during the year. Two churches never made any subscriptions and have paid nothing—Fairview of the Guilford Charge and Bethany of the Catawba Charge. These reports indicate that the Forward Movement is a live issue in our Classis, that many of our people are keeping faith and redeeming their pledges.

Your committee recommend:

1. That the pastors and Consistories of the several charges keep before their people the sacred duty of payment of their pledges, calling special attention that a fifth part is due each year.

2. That a Forward Movement Column be carried in The Reformed Church Standard specifically for Forward Movement items in North Carolina.

3. That a Permanent Forward Movement Committee of the following members be appointed: Rev. W. C. Lyerly, Elders J. T. Plott, J. T. Hedrick, J. W. Peeler, B. S. Shuford, W. R. Weaver and J. B. Leonard.

4. That this Classis make special effort to collect pledges in full for 3 years prior to June 30, 1923.

W. C. LYERLY,
J. T. HEDRICK,
J. B. LEONARD,
J. W. PEELER.

2. There was no report before Classis. The Hopewell interest was committed to the pastor of Schlatter Memorial Church, Winston-Salem.

3. To the Reverend Classis:

Your Committee on Bethel, High Point, desire to submit the following report: We have looked after this matter during the year, taking such action as was necessary in matters coming before us. The annual payment of $1000 was made promptly by the purchasers of the church property. There is still one payment of $1000 due in January, 1924. We have turned all funds over to the Treasurer of Classis. We submit the financial report as follows:

Balance in treasury May 6, 1922	$1380 41
Received installment on property Jan. 8, 1923	1000 00
Received on interest Jan. 8, 1923	121 00
" " Feb. 8, 1923	18 42
" " Feb. 13, 1923	43 84
Total	$2573 67
Disbursements, Street Assessment	57 70
Balance on hand May 3, 1923	$2515 97

We recommend:

1. That the Treasurer of Classis be instructed to pay the $1500 promised First, Waughtown, at the maturity of bank certificate.

2. That the balance on hand be paid on the Classical indebtedness at the same time, and that when other payment is made, that it also be applied to the Classical indebtedness.

3. That this committee be discontinued, and that the Treasurer of Classis act as agent in finishing this matter.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. PEELER,
J. T. HEDRICK.

4. To the Reverend Classis:

Your Informant to the Board of Ministerial Relief begs leave to report that he has kept in touch with the Board during the year. The Classis of North Carolina has now two ministers and three widows of ministers receiving aid from the Relief Department of the Board, with a total appropriation of $1180.00. The apportionment to be raised by our Classis this year was only $1049.55, a sum less than that received by our annuitants. It is to be regretted that this Classis did no pay this item of apportionment in full.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. LEONARD, Informant.

The Stated Clerk was continued as Informant.

5. The parochial report was read.

6. The duties were attended to.

7. Attended to.

8. To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee appointed to investigate the advisability of disbanding the congregation at Whitsett and to investigate the field at Gibsonville beg leave to submit the following report:

After conferring with the supply pastor who has been preaching regularly for the people at Whitsett since the last meeting of Classis, and learning that the interest there is increasing and that several new members have been added with good prospects for more additions in the near future, we do not feel that it would be wise to disband at this time.

We do not feel that it would be wise to undertake a new work at Gibsonville.

Respectfully submitted,
H. A. FESPERMAN, Chairman.

9. Attended to.

10. To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee has kept in touch with the supply pastor and learned through him that efforts were being made to secure a pastor. Since we had no funds at our disposal we could not aid in this matter, and we learn that such aid is being sought through another channel.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. PEELER,
J. H. KELLER.

11. We issued the Standard twice each month since last Classis. We carried Catawba College advertisement free, as instructed.

Financial Statement.

Balance on hand May 1, 1922	$ 50 13
Received from Treasurer of Classis	700 00
Received on subscriptions	2 00
Total	$752 13
Paid for printing and mailing paper	$670 17
General expenses	26 72
Total	$696 89
Balance on hand May 1, 1923	55 24

Respectfully submitted,
W. H. McNAIRY, Business Manager.

12. Attended to.

13. Attended to by most of the charges.

14. Duty attended to.

15. To the North Carolina Classis:

Your committee appointed to install Rev. W. H. Causey pastor of the First Reformed Church of Salisbury beg leave to report the duty performed Sunday, December 31, 1922, all members present and participating in the service.

J. H. KELLER,
B. S. SHUFORD.

16. To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee appointed to audit the books of Rev. G. E. Plott, Treasurer of Classis, beg leave to report the matter attended to and that the accounts were found correct.

H. A. FESPERMAN, Chairman.

ARTICLE XI.
OVERTURES.

The following report was received, considered by items and finally adopted as a whole:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Overtures submit the following report and recommendations:

1. A joint request from Rev. H. A. Welker and the Faith Charge for dissolution of pastoral relationship.

We recommend that the pastoral relation be dissolved and the charge declared vacant.

2. A call to Rev. H. A. Welker from the Burlington Charge and a joint request for Classis to confirm the same.

We recommend that the call be confirmed and a committee be appointed by Classis to install the pastor.

3. A petition from the officers and 83 members of Shiloh Church of the Faith Charge, praying that Classis join them in petitioning the Board of Home Missions to enroll said church as a mission with an appropriation of $900 per year.

We recommend that the request be not granted.

4. A joint request of Rev. W. H. McNairy and the West Hickory Charge for dissolution of the pastoral relationship.

We recommend that the pastoral relation be dissolved and the charge be declared vacant.

5. The Summer Conference Committee overtures Classis to request all congregations to send large delegations to the Catawba College Conference.

We recommend that the Corresponding Secretary be requested to send special letter to all churches urging large attendance at said Conference. We request that pastors close their churches on Conference Sunday

6. A request from the Joint Consistory of the Gilead Charge asking Classis to join them in asking Potomac Synod's Board of Ministerial Sustentation for an appropriation of $500.00 per year.

We recommend that the request be granted.

7. A letter of thanks from the Rockwell Charge for the sustentation last year and a request for $300.00 sustentation for the ensuing year.

We recommend that the request be granted, and $300.00 for sustentation be referred to the Finance Committee for apportionment.

8. A communication requesting historical data from all churches, material for the semi-centennial of Synod.

We urge that pastors and laymen in vacant charges give such data as requested.

9. Notice of the reception of Revs. W. B. Werner, G. E. Plott and A. Klinger by Maryland Classis, Potomac Synod.

We recommend the adoption of the item.

10. Notice of the reception of Rev. S. J. Kirk by Goshenhoppen Classis, Eastern Synod.

We recommend the adoption of the item.

11. Reports of students in Central Theological Seminary:

a. O. B. Michael reports that he completes his work in the Senior year. Grades are satisfactory. He is thankful for aid received.

b. H. W. Black reports that he finished the Junior year. Grades are satisfactory. He is thankful for aid received. He requests Classis to ask General Synod's Board of Education for $250.00 for the ensuing year.

We recommend the adoption of the item, and that Classis ask Synod's Board of Education for the aid requested.

12. Reports of students in Catawba College:

a. Students S. C. Safrit, T. M. Safrit, C. E. Hiatt and H. L. Fesperman report that they finish their Junior year in College. Grades are satisfactory. They express thanks for aid received.

b. Student Grady Shoffner reports that he finishes the Freshman year in the College. Grades satisfactory. He expresses thanks for aid received. He requests aid for the ensuing year.

We recommend the adoption of the item and that these students be recommended to the Solliday Fund and Synod's Board of Education for aid of $100.00 and $150.00 respectively for the ensuing year.

13. Student John Causey reports that he has been unable to pursue his course of study during the year. He states that he hopes to be able to enter school the ensuing year. He asks aid from the Solliday Fund and Synod's Board of Education, $100.00 and $175.00 respectively.

We recommend the adoption of the item and recommend him to the Solliday Fund and Synod's Board of Education for $100.00 and $150.00 respectively.

14. A communication from Dr. I. W. Hendricks stating that Synod's Board of Ministerial Sustentation granted $300.00 aid to Catawba. Charge effective when pastor is secured.

We recommend the adoption and request Synod's Board to make similar grant for the ensuing year.

15. Invitation from St. Mark's Reformed Church of the Guilford Charge to Classis to hold the 94th annual sessions of Classis in their church.

We recommend that Classis proceed to determine the time and place of the next annual meeting.

16. A request from Elder J. A. Propst, of the Catawba Charge, for the same financial aid as last year.

We recommend that Classis grant $300.00 sustentation for said charge and the amount be referred to the Finance Committee for apportionment. The Synod's Board of Ministerial Sustentation will give $300.00. The Classis asks the charge to raise $900.00 on salary for the year.

W. C. LYERLY,
A. O. LEONARD,
D. F. CAMPBELL.

Under Item 2 Revs. H. A. Fesperman, J. C. Peeler and Elder C. W. Holshouser were appointed to install Rev. H. A. Welker pastor of the First Reformed Church of Burlington.

In the consideration of Item 3 Mr. Luther Holshouser was granted the privilege of the floor of Classis along with the delegate from the Faith Charge, Elder J. D. A. Fisher, to present the request of Shiloh Reformed Church of Faith.

Under Item 15 the Classis proceeded to determine the time and place of meeting, when St. Mark's Reformed Church, Guilford Charge, Burlington, N. C., was chosen as the place and Wednesday evening, May 6, A. D. 1924, at 8 o'clock as the time of the next annual meeting of Classis.

ARTICLE XII.
DELEGATES TO POTOMAC SYNOD.

All the ministers and an elder from each pastoral charge constitute the delegates to Synod, which meets in general convention.

ARTICLE XIII.
MINUTES OF POTOMAC SYNOD.

Following is the report of the Committee on the Minutes of Potomac Synod:

Your Committee on the Minutes of Potomac Synod report the following items claiming the attention of this Classis:

1. Page 5. The following members were present at the meeting held in York, Pa., October 23-26, 1922: Revs. J. C. Leonard, D. D., J. H. Keller, W. W. Rowe, Shuford Peeler, L. A. Peeler, C. C. Wagoner, J. A. Palmer, W. C. Lyerly, H. A. Welker, G. E. Plott, H. A. Fesperman, A. D. Wolfinger, D. D., S. J. Kirk, Milton Whitener. No elders were present.

2. Page 10. The attention of Classis is called to an arrearage in the apportionment for the Contingent Fund of Synod. Synod urges prompt remittances of all money for the Contingent Fund.

3. Page24. Synod requests through its Historical Committee:

(a) That the apportionment for the Historical Society be paid in full.

(b) That historical data concerning old churches be sent to the committee, of which Rev. Samuel H. Stein is chairman.

4. Page 25. Classical Committees of Supply are requested to cooperate with Synod's Committee on Vacancy and Supply and to inform the chairman of the committee of vacancies as they occur.

5. Pages 26, 27. Synod recommends with reference to Social Service:

(a) That pastors make a zealous study of social problems and of the Gospel of Jesus as related to these problems.

(b) That each Classis be urged to hold a Conference during the year to consider the work being done and the needs and opportunities for social service work within their bounds.

(c) That Consistories be urged to study the question of what can be done to further the work of social service in each charge or congregation.

6. Page 42. The Summer School of Theology to be held at the Seminary, Lancaster, Pa., July 9-20, 1923, is recommended to ministers, Consistories and congregations.

7. Page 64. The attention of Classis is called to the necessity of paying the apportionment for Beneficiary Education in full.

8. Pages 76, 77. Synod's action concerning Missions.

(a) Urges the payment of the apportionment in full, and as much more as possible, and calls attention to the very great advantage of the Scriptural methods of Church finance, based on the annual Every-Member Canvass and the weekly offering for Missions and Benevolence as well as for current expenses.

(b) Brings the work of Mission Study and Missionary Conferences to the attention of congregations.

(c) Requests the holding of Ministerial Retreats for prayer and intercession.

9. Page 86. The Christian Home Fellowship is commended.

10. Page 86. The observance of Church Paper Day the first Sunday in December is recommended, together with the appointment of local agents or Committees on Good Literature and the Church Paper.

11. Page 87. The holding of Classical Sunday School Institutes is recommended.

12. Page 98. Action concerning Ministerial Relief.

(a) An Informant to be appointed.

(b) A special day to be set apart to present the subject of Relief and Sustentation to our people.

(c) Classes urged to enroll their ministers in the Sustentation Department.

13. Page 103. The apportionments.

(a) Home Missions, 80 cents per member. (b) Foreign Missions, 80 cents per member. (c) Ministerial Relief, 15 cents per member. (d) Publication and Sunday School Work, 10 cents per member, (e) General Synod Contingent, 5 cents per member. (f) Historical Society, $13. (g) Potomac Synod Contingent, $215. (h) Beneficiary Education, $1487. (i) Ministerial Sustentation, $243. (j) Theological Seminary, $744. (k) Reformed Church Messenger, $163.

14. Page 105. Action concerning Young People's Societies.

(a) Organization of Young People's Societies urged.

(b) Observance of Young People's Day on or near the second Sunday in October is recommended.

(c) Attention is called to the importance of careful consideration of literature from the department, and to the necessity of filling in the statistical blanks with the greatest accuracy possible.

15. Page 112. The next annual meeting of Synod will be held in the Evangelical Reformed Church ,Frederick, Md., on Monday, Oct. 22, 1923, at 8 p. m.

16. Page 113. Synod nominated the following for Trustees of Catawba College: Rev. W. H. Causey for two years; Rev. W. W. Rowe, J. T. Plott, J. O. Moose, Rev. Shuford Peeler, W. G. Hinkle, George Moose, for three years.

Respectfully submitted,

MILTON WHITENER,
C. C. WAGONER,
HERBERT W. COBLE.

This report was adopted with the following exceptions: Item 2 was adopted and referred to the Committee on Social Service and Rural Work.

Under Item 13 Classis did not assume the apportionment of $163 for The Reformed Church Messenger, and assumed one and one-third cents per member for General Synodical Contingent, this being sufficient to meet our obligation.

The following supplementary action was taken:

Resolved, That all Consistories be urged to see to it that both pastors and delegate elders attend the 50th anniversary meeting of the Synod of the Potomac, convening in the Evangelical Reformed Church, Frederick, Md., October 22, 1923.

ARTICLE XIV.
MISSIONS.

The following report was received and adopted:

"To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Missions beg leave to make the following report:

The following papers have come into our hands: 1. The report of the Board of Home Missions. 2. The report of the Board of Foreign Missions.

On the basis of the facts contained in these reports we make the following notes and recommendations:

1. We note that there are 210 missions on the roll of the Home Mission Board at the present time, having a combined membership of 51,276. Only one mission went to self-support the past year. There are at present 14 missions receiving aid from the Board in the North Carolina Classis. We urge that the missions assume self-support as early as possible.

2. We note the total enrollment of 885 Church-Building Funds representing a total investment of $593,903.

3. We note that the sum of $384,407.97 has been received from the Forward Movement. We urge the payment in full of all Forward Movement pledges that the Board may be enabled to carry out its full program.

4. There are now 30,000 Hungarian members of the Reformed Church, representing 52 congregations. Many young men are seeking an education that they might become ministers.

5. Summer Conferences have been arranged, and we especially urge that co-operation be given that our own Conferences may be a greater success than ever before for this coming year.

6. We rejoice in the great progress made during the past year in our Japan Mission. The building of more chapels is a crying need. We urge our people to make gifts that many more chapels might be supplied.

7. We note with sorrow the death of two of our missionaries: Mrs. Ezra H. Guinther, who died on August 23, and Mrs. J. P. Moore, who died December 9, at Sendai, Japan.

8. We note the great need for additional facilities in school work both in Japan and China, and urge upon our people that they support this most worthy work by their prayers and by their means.

9. We note with pleasure that Dr. George W. Richards will visit the Missions in the near future as a representative of our Theological Seminaries.

10. Foreign Mission Day will be observed the second Sunday in February, 1924. We urge its observance.

H. A. FESPERMAN,
J. R. WARLICK.

ARTICLE XV.
NOMINATIONS.

The following report was received and adopted:
To the Reverend Classis:

Your Committee on Nominations beg leave to make the following report:

Rebecca Solliday Church Building Fund Committee for three years, Rev. C. C. Wagoner.

Staff of the Reformed Church Standard: Editor and Business Manager, Rev. W. W. Rowe; Associate Editors, Revs. B. J. Peeler, W. C. Lyerly and A. O. Leonard.

Board of Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home—For one year, Rev. W. C. Lyerly; for four years, T. W. S. Grimes, S. L. Whitener and W. G. Hinkle.

Missionary and Stewardship Committee—Revs. Shuford Peeler, H. A. Fesperman, J. A. Koons; Elders J. P. Lynn and Herbert Coble.

Trustees of Catawba College—For 2 years, Rev. W. H. Causey; for 3 years, Revs. W. W. Rowe, Shuford Peeler and Elders J. O. Moose, W. G. Hinkle, J. T. Plott, George Moose.

Treasurer of Classis—Rev. Milton Whitener.

Respectfully submitted,
L. A. PEELER,
C. W. WARLICK,
S. C. BURKHART.

ARTICLE XVI.
STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The following report was received and adopted:
To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Dear Fathers and Brethren:—The Committee on State of the Church beg leave to report that the statistics have been tabulated and the parochial reports read with deep interest and concern.

We note with joy a small increase in the number of communicants, but with sorrow a decrease in the number of those who communed during the year. This latter is not as it should be.

We also note with gratitude a splendid increase in total benevolences However, a larger decrease is found in the total for congre-

gational purposes. Still there is occasion for encouragement in the evident fact that the vision of our people is enlarging and their interest in others increasing.

This same spirit of progress is evidenced in that during the year Grace, Newton, and First, Greensboro, have erected huts in order to better care for their Sunday School work. First, Lexington, and Trinity, Concord, have launched definite programs looking toward the erection of new church buildings; Hedrick's Grove has brought nearer to completion their splendid rural church building; and the erection at Second Church, Lexington, and in the Lower Davidson Charge of modern, up-to-date parsonages.

Many times over in the parochial reports we find expressed sincere gratitude to a gracious and bountiful Heavenly Father for His mercies and favors. Sometimes we find the feeling of regret over failure to accomplish all in the cherished plans of some of His servants.

We read with sorrow of the death of the following elders, who came to a good age after serving faithfully and devotedly their churches and thus their loving Savior as office-bearers in His Kingdom: Julius Smyre, of Grace, Newton; J. P. Long, of Bethany, Upper Davidson Charge, and L. L. Conrad, of Pilgrim, Upper Davidson Charge. If space permitted, much could be written of the lives of these noble fathers in Israel.

This committee also wishes to add to the report given by the Committee on Necrology a word with reference to the death of one of our active pastors, Dr. J. M. L. Lyerly, who during the year was called from earth's labors to the rest of the heavenly Kingdom. He was a most active and useful minister. His rather early death caused great grief among his brethren. We thought his services were so much needed for a longer period of time, but the Master saw differently. May the Holy Spirit comfort the members of His bereaved family as well as all of His co-laborers in the Church.

J. A. PALMER,
H. A. FESPERMAN,
J. W. WARLICK.

ARTICLE XVII.
TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING.

The next annual meeting of the Classis will be held in St. Mark's Reformed Church, Guilford Charge, Burlington, N. C., Tuesday evening, May 6, A. D. 1924, at 8 o'clock.

ARTICLE XVIII.
EDUCATION.

Report of the Trustees of Catawba College.

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

As President of the Board of Trustees of Catawba College I beg to present the following report:

At the annual meeting of the Board in May, 1922, the following officers were elected for the year: President, C. M. Rowe; Vice President, George Moose; Treasurer, Clarence Clapp.

The enrollment for the year in all departments is one hundred and seventy, classified as follows: College—Seniors, three; Juniors, twelve; Sophomores, nine; Freshmen, twenty-nine. The Academy has an enrollment of forty-eight—Business students, eighteen; Music, thirty-eight; Expression, thirteen.

The graduates for the year are: College, three; Academy, sixteen; Business, three.

The question still confronting the institution is a financial one. The committee authorized by the Board to place a man in the field who should give all his time to the financial needs, met with insurmountable difficulties. The best substitute that could be agreed upon was the calling into service of ten men of the Classis who would assume responsibility so far as they were able to secure pledges for the current expenses of the year. Up to this time less than $1000 has come in from this source. There is accordingly a deficit in the current expense fund. The Forward Movement receipts to date are $45,000. This already helps to relieve the situation, but is only a small item of what the life of the institution demands.

It is clear to every close observer that immediate response is needed to some plan which will guarantee sufficient endowment to continue the work in a larger way. As President of the Board I wish to express the hope that united response may be given to such a plan as will guarantee the life of the College on the list of standard Colleges.

The work of the year has been carried forward as successfully and satisfactorily as could be expected under the limitation of equipment and financial resources.

C. M. ROWE,
President of the Board of Trustees.

Report of the Treasurer of Catawba College, 1922-1923.

Receipts—

To Cash on hand May 19, 1922	$	907 10
" Catawba College League		768 00
" North Carolina Classis		1394 98
" College Bills, J. T. Hedrick Scholarship		600 00
" College Bills		15155 64
" Book Account		932 78
" Fuel Account		17 30
" Interest		3641 07
" Loans		4375 00
" Conference Gifts		100 00
" Rents		200 00
	$	28091 88

Disbursements—

By Cash	Advertising and Printing		$ 508 45
"	Building and Loan, Interest	$ 162 24	
	Principal	351 00	513 24
"	Book Account		1329 02
"	Light and Telephone		268 70
"	Freight, Drayage and Express		786 05
"	Fuel		1076 86
"	Interest		324 42
"	Insurance		68 70
"	Labor		2888 52
"	Laundry		58 70
"	Library		78 12
"	Provisions		3030 22
"	Postage and Telegraph		51 70
"	Salaries, 1921-1922	$ 5066 17	
	1922-1923	10585 96	15652 13
"	Supplies		457 96
"	Traveling and Canvassing		72 40
"	Cash on hand		926 69
			$28091 88

G. G. Solliday Endowment and Account—

G. G. Solliday Endowment	$20000 00		
Notes, Catawba College		$11237 50	
First Mortgage, 6 per cent. Notes		8762 50	
	$20000 00	$20000 00	
To Cash on hand, May 19, 1922	1 31		
To Cash Interest to May 19, 1923	509 50		
By Cash, Theological Students		250 00	
By Cash on hand, May 19, 1923		260 81	
	$510 81	$510 81	

Rebecca Solliday Church Building Fund—

	$3533 63		
Loans, 2 per cent		$ 3050 00	
To Cash on hand, May 19, 1923		483 63	
	$3533 63	$3533 63	

Emanuel Pontius Pres. Home Building Fund—

	$837 66		
First Mortgage, 6 per cent. Notes		$ 733 00	
To Cash on hand, May 19, 1923		104 66	
	$837 66	$837 66	

Library Endowment—

	$ 1500 00	
Liberty Bonds		$ 500 00
First Mortgage, 6 per cent Notes		1000 00
	$1500 00	$1500 00

Library Account—

To Cash received during year	$ 111 25	
By Cash, Library Account		$ 78 12
" General Fund		8 13
" on hand, May 19, 1923		15 00
	$111 25	$111 25

General Endowment—

	$17000 00	
Notes, Catawba College		$ 3375 50
First Mortgage, 6 per cent. Notes		13624 50
	$17000 00	$17000 00

Alumni Endowment and Account—

Alumni Fund	$13689 00	
Invested as follows:		
American Yarn and Processing Co. Bonds		$ 6000 00
Notes, Catawba College		600 00
First Mortgage, 6 per cent. Notes		4689 00
Bond, Town of Newton		500 00
Liberty Bonds		800 00
11 Shares Cotton Mill Stock		1100 00
	$13689 00	$13689 00

Forward Movement Fund and Account, Report for Year 1922-23—

Received from H. E. Paisley	$ 6741 67	
Received from Home Mission Board	2794 00	
Received from H. M. Board, Bonds	15000 00	
	$24535 82	
Paid on Current Expense		$ 1348 33
Borrowed, Current Expense		2626 67
Home Mission Bonds		15000 00
First Mortgage, 6 per cent. Notes		4429 52
Cash on hand, May 19, 1923		1131 30
		$24535 82

Consolidated Report of Forward Movement Fund—

Received from H E. Paisley	$21216 67
Received from Home Mission Board	32357 27
	$53573 94

Invested as follows:		
Liberty Bonds		$ 4650 00
Paid on Current Expense		4243 33
Borrowed on Current Expense		4438 31
Home Mission Bonds		15000 00
First Mortgage, 6 per cent. Notes		24111 00
Cash on hand, May 19, 1923		1131 30
	$53573 94	$53573 94

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE CLAPP, Treasurer.

The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Education to whom has been referred the report of the Board of Trustees of Catawba College beg leave to make the following report:

We note with pleasure the number of students enrolled during the past year and the degree of success that has attended the President and faculty in their administration.

On the basis of facts made in the report of the Board and also oral statements made by the President on the floor of Classis we make the following recommendations for your consideration:

1. Realizing that an "A" grade College will only meet our requirements, we therefore do instruct the Board of Trustees to proceed to lay such plans that Catawba College shall be made to comply with the conditions of a Standard "A" grade College.

Resolved, That the Trustees be requested to challenge the General Synod to convene in Corinth Church, Hickory, N. C., May 23, to take over Catawba College as a Missionary Institution.

2. That opportunity be given to any town or city to make the proposition or propositions as to location of said College.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. ROWE,
J. H. KELLER,
J. T. HEDRICK.

ARTICLE XIX.
FINANCE.

TREASURER'S REPORT.—Receipts.

CONGREGATION	APPORTIONMENT										SPECIALS			
	Classical Contingent	Potomac Synod Contingent	General Synod Contingent	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Ministerial Relief	Beneficiary Education	Publication and S. S.	Theol. Seminary	Catawba College	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphans' Home	Relief
Balance	1333 71	1 00	2 60			46 63	52 05		16 17	75 89				
Burlington	79 79	4 74	3 16	126 40	126 40	23 70	30 02	15 80	16 59	39 50	14 00			
Mt. Hope	62 12	3 69	2 46	17 24	3 00					25 00				
Brick	80 17	5 15	3 12	5 76						25 00				
St. Mark's	66 95	4 28	2 00	35 00	14 39	5 00	6 80			15 00				
Fairview	25 04	1 52	36	6 40	6 40	1 20	1 52	80	84	2 00				
Greensboro	88 38	5 25	3 50	140 00	140 00	26 25	33 25	17 50	18 38	43 75		16 84	126 00	
High Point	87 87	5 22	3 48	139 20	139 20	26 10	33 06	17 40	19 27	43 50			32 10	
Thomasville	76 26	4 53	3 02	120 80	120 80	22 65	28 69	15 10	15 86	37 75	7 10	10 12		*23 50
Emanuel	99 35	9 85	7 12	7 80	1 90	62							14 00	
Calvary	50 50	3 00	2 00										5 00	
Zion	19 85	4 41	2 94	3 10									5 00	
Pilgrim	136 35	8 10	5 40	100 00	100 00					67 50				
Beulah	151 50	9 00	6 00											
Bethany	40 40	2 40	1 60					5 25		3 60				
First, Lexington	239 37	14 22	9 48	379 20	379 20	71 10	90 06	47 40	49 77	118 50	11 00		408 84	
Second, Lexington	62 62	3 72	2 48	99 20	99 20	18 60	23 56	12 40	13 02	31 00			31 15	
Hedrick's Grove	55 55	3 30	2 20											
Beck's	87 37	5 19	3 46											
Mt. Tabor	45 45	2 70	1 80											
Jerusalem														
Winston-Salem	44 95	2 67	1 78	71 20	71 20	13 35	16 91	8 90	9 35	22 25			12 50	

TREASURER'S REPORT.—Receipts.

CONGREGATION	APPORTIONMENT											SPECIALS			
	Classical Contingent	Potomac Synod Contingent	General Synod Contingent	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Ministerial Relief	Beneficiary Education	Publication and S. S.	Theol. Seminary	Catawba College	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphans' Home	Relief
Waughtown	42 93	2 55	1 70	68 00	68 00	12 75	16 15	8 50	8 93	21 25				
Bethlehem	21 21	1 26	84							5 25				
Hebron	45 45	2 70	1 80	30 00	30 00	6 60	10 14			12 50				
Salisbury	73 73	4 38	2 92	116 80	116 80	21 90	27 74	14 60	15 33	36 50				
Ursinus	55 55	3 30	2 20	88 00	88 00	16 50	20 90	11 00	11 55	27 50				
Bethany, Rockwell	31 82	1 89	1 26	20 00	18 78	3 75	4 50	2 25		15 75				
St. Luke's	27 27	1 62	1 08	29 17	29 00	8 10	10 26			13 50				
Shiloh	57 57	3 42	2 28	91 21	91 20	17 10	21 66	11 40	11 97	28 50				
Grace, Faith	63 63	3 78	2 52	50 00	52 50	10 00	10 00	15 50	3 07	31 50				
Mt. Hope, Faith	34 85	2 07	1 38	17 50	17 50	4 45	5 00			17 25				
Mt. Zion	146 45	8 70	5 80	232 00	895 75	43 50	55 10	29 00	30 45	72 50		23 60	70 65	**4 00
Landis	53 03	3 15	2 10	84 00	324 25	15 75	19 95	10 50	11 02	26 25			50 00	
Kannapolis	43 93	2 62	1 74	69 60	69 60	13 05	16 53	8 70	9 14	21 75			20 00	
St. Paul's	35 35	2 10	1 40	56 00	56 00	10 50	13 30	7 00	7 35	17 50	5 00	6 00	23 50	
Concord	72 72	4 32	2 88	115 20	115 20	21 60	27 36	14 40	15 12	36 00	12 42			
New Gilead	62 62	3 72	2 48	15 21	24 38	5 00		10 00		15 00				
Keller	29 29	1 74	1 16	46 40	46 40	6 61		5 80		14 50				
Mt. Pleasant	40 91	2 43	1 62	64 80	44 37	12 15	15 39	8 10	8 51	20 25		20 43		
Bethel, Bear Creek	124 23	7 38	4 92	159 00	159 00	30 00	38 97	10 00	5 00	61 50				
Boger	70 40	4 40	3 20	64 00	64 00	12 00	15 20	8 00	8 40	20 00				
Charlotte	54 04	3 21	2 14	85 60	85 60	16 05	20 33	10 70	11 24	26 75		68 55		
Lincolnton	34 85	2 07	1 38	55 20	55 20	10 35	13 11	9 35	7 25	17 25				
Daniel's	25 25	1 50	1 00	40 00	40 00	7 50	9 50	10 75	5 25	12 50				

TREASURER'S REPORT.—Receipts.

CONGREGATION	APPORTIONMENT											SPECIALS			
	Classical Contingent	Potomac Synod Contingent	General Synod Contingent	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Ministerial Relief	Beneficiary Education	Publication and S. S.	Theol. Seminary	Catawba College	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphans' Home	Relief
Memorial	40 40	2 40	1 60	64 00	64 00	12 00	15 20	8 00	8 40	20 00				
St. Matthew's	41 41	2 46	1 64	65 70	65 60	12 30	15 58	8 20	8 61	20 50				
Salem	16 16	96	64	25 60	25 60	4 80	6 08	3 20	3 36	8 00				
Newton	117 16	6 96	4 64	185 60	185 60	34 80	44 08	23 20	24 36	58 00		28 08	42 68	†30 00
Conover	50 50	3 00	2 00	37 00	32 50	10 00	10 00			15 00				
Smyrna	77 85	1 29	86											
Bethany														
St. Paul's	100 32	6 27	4 56	40 00	40 00	7 00	10 40	4 55		18 00				
Grace	41 41	2 46	1 64	33 24	23 50	5 00	5 62			20 00				
Bethel	40 40	4 40	3 20	7 87	7 00			4 41		5 00				
Hickory	136 85	11 10	7 40	296 00	296 00	55 50	70 30	37 00	38 85	92 50				†50 00
West Hickory	8 73	54	36					4 06						
Brookford	23 60	2 37	1 58	7 05	3 00			5 00						
Lenoir	33 33	1 98	1 32	52 80	52 80	9 90	12 54	6 60	6 93	16 50				
Shiloh (Interest)	45 00													
Shiloh (Spe.Meet. Classis)	12 74													
Wachovia Bank (Int't)	20 26													
Mrs. D. L. Correll												5 00		
Money Borrowed	2500 00													
	7476 75	227 72	151 20	3663 85	4488 82	711 71	876 81	450 32	418 34	1394 99	49 52	178 62	841 42	107 50
										Grand Total				21037 56

*Hungarian Relief, $23.50, Armenian Relief, $10 00. **Greek Relief. †Near East Relief.

Disbursements

Contingent—		
Printing of Standard	$ 700 00	
Editor of Standard, salary 2 years	50 00	
Business Manager of Standard, salary 2 years	50 00	
Stated Clerk, salary and expenses	65 44	
Rev. G. E. Plott, Treasurer, salary and expenses for one year	104 93	
Rev. Milton Whitener, Treasurer, salary and expenses for four and one-half months	45 67	
Expenses Auditing Committee	4 50	
Expenses Missionary and Stewardship Committee	2 20	
St. James', Mt. Pleasant, use of Church	10 00	
Expenses Committee on Faith Charge	12 99	
I. M. Beaver, Minutes of Classis	367 23	
Treasurer's Record and Supplies	15 21	
Dr. J. M. L. Lyerly, Sustentation Guilford Charge	350 00	
O. B. Michael, Sustentation Catawba Charge	166 68	
Rev. H. A. M. Holshouser, Sustentation	300 00	
Expenses Executive Committee of Classis	10 00	
Expenses Special Meeting of Classis	25 48	
Board of Ministerial Relief, Sustentation Department	588 23	
Interest	55 00	
G. E. Leonard, Note and Interest	636 00	
Shiloh Congregation, Faith Church Building Fund	1500 00	
Hedrick's Grove Cong., Church Building Fund	1000 00	
		$ 6059 56
Home Missions—		
J. S. Wise, Treasurer	$3663 85	
Home Missions, Special—		
J. S. Wise, Treasurer	49 52	
Foreign Missions—		
Dr. A. R. Bartholomew	4493 74	
Foreign Missions, Special—		
Dr. A. R. Bartholomew	178 62	
Ministerial Relief—		
Rev. E. L. McLean, Treasurer	711 71	
Beneficiary Education—		
Rev. E. R. Deatrick, Treasurer	876 81	
Publication and S. S.—		
C. O. Althouse, Treasurer	450 32	
Catawba College—		
Clarence Clapp, Treasurer	1394 99	
Theological Seminary—		

J. Travers Thomas, Treasurer	418 34	
Potomac Synod Contingent—		
J. Travers Thomas, Treasurer	167 09	
General Synod Contingent—		
J. Travers Thomas, Treasurer	20 35	
Nazareth Orphans' Home—		
George H. Moose, Treasurer	841 42	
Near East Relief—		
Cleveland H. Dodge, Treasurer	90 00	
Greek Relief—		
Cleveland H. Dodge, Treasurer	4 00	
Hungarian Relief—		
J. S. Wise, Treasurer	13 50	
		$13374 26

Summary of Receipts and Disbursements.

	Received	Paid Out	Bal. in Treas.
Classical Contingent	$ 7476 75	$6059 56	$1417 19
Potomac Synod Contingent	227 72	169 09	60 63
General Synod Contingent	151 20	20 35	130 85
Ministerial Relief	711 71	711 71	
Beneficiary Education	876 81	876 81	
Publication and S. S.	450 32	450 32	
Catawba College	1394 99	1394 99	
Theological Seminary	418 34	418 34	
Nazareth Orphans' Home	841 42	841 42	
Near East Relief	90 00	90 00	
Greek Relief	4 00	4 00	
Hungarian Relief	13 50	13 50	
Home Missions, Special	49 52	49 52	
Foreign Missions, Special	178 62	178 62	
Home Missions	3663 85	3663 85	
Foreign Missions	4488 82	4493 74	Overdra'n 4 92
Net Balance			$1603 75

Indebtedness of Classis.

Winston-Salem	$ 400 00
Landis	1000 00
Charlotte	1250 00
Shiloh, Faith	1500 00
Hedrick's Grove	1000 00
	$5150 00

Interest Due Classis.

Winston-Salem	$ 36 00
Landis	210 00

Arrearages.

Classical Contingent—

Zion, Emanuel Charge, $71.67; Jerusalem, $15,66; Bethany, Catawba Charge, $21.72; Smyrna, $3.87; Brookford, $13.30; Murphy Mem., $0.36.

Potomac Synod Contingent—

Zion, $3.48; Jerusalem, $0.93; Bethany, Catawba Charge, $1.29.

General Synod Contingent—

Zion, $2.78; Jerusalem, $0 62; Bethany, Catawba Charge, $0.93.

Respectfully submitted,

MILTON WHITENER,
Treasurer of Classis

The Committee on Finance presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Finance have examined the Treasurer's report and find it correct.

Your committee conferred with the elder from Schlatter Memorial Church and were assured by him that the interest due Classis would be attended to.

In reference to the Landis interest we recommend the following:

That Classis instruct the Treasurer of Classis to pay the Landis note with $1000.00 out of the Bethel, High Point, fund, and that the Classis ask the good people of Landis Congregation to pay the interest now due.

The following amounts have been sent down for apportionment:

Contingent	.46
Potomac and General Synod Contingent	05
Foreign Missions	.80
Home Missions	.80
Ministerial Relief	.15
Publication and S. S	.10
Catawba College	.25
Beneficiary Education	.21
Theological Seminary	.10½
Ministerial Sustentation	.03½
Total	$2.96 per member

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. McNAIRY,
L. A. PEELER,
E. T. HEDRICK.

ARTICLE XX.

BENEVOLENT INSTITUTIONS.

Report of the Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home.

The Bo rd of Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home present the report of the Superintendent of said Home as the report of the Board to this Classis:

My first report to you is of necessity incomplete, since I have been on the ground but seven and one-half months of the year. It was with serious consideration that your humble servant undertook the work, never supposing that it would be in a more or less unsettled condition so long because of insufficient and transitory help; but God has helped us hold the work together during this most checkered period perhaps in its history. Having had several temporary matrons since August has added much responsibility and anxiety to the Superintendent's work. No one else is as anxious as he that suitable help, from among our own Church constituency, be provided at the earliest time possible.

But even under the conditions as indicated above we have been able to keep all there. No one has run away. But they could have run in gangs if they had wanted to. There were times when only a young lady (Miss Mason) and myself were in charge.

At present there are 44 children in the Home — 22 boys and 22 girls. Seven were received since I went there. Of these two are there only temporarilty, their mother having had to be operated on and is not yet quite able to regather her children and enjoy her own home.

Arrangements are different at the Home from what they have been hitherto when a man and his wife were Superintendent and Matron and the children went to school on the ground. This year they went to three places. Other years they were practically unexposed to contagions; this year we had about 35 cases of influenza and now we are in the midst of a siege of measles. Much sickness caused irregularity in school, but on the whole the children have done pretty well in school, considering their being over-classed, as I have been told they were. None finished High School this year. One went to Catawba College last fall. Three children were taken out of the Home during the summer in the regular way They went to their father in Missouri.

Physically they are treated for any noticable or suspected ailment; mentally, they are encouraged in their school work and assisted to some extent by the Superintendent and teacher; they are also encouraged to read good books, magazines, the church papers, etc.; morally, they are admonished to observe the one inclusive rule, "**do right.**;" spiritually, they are exercised through church attendance, Sunday School work, C. E., carried on largely by themselves with my assistance; Scripture reading and prayer every day, when all are present, at which time a "running exegesis" is given of the Scripture read. Also they say their little prayers at bed-time. Catechising attended to.

Now as to the material side, we have no record of farm production last summer, but a splendid crop of Irish potatoes was raised, some of which are still there. The corn crop was rather short. There being no farmer in the fall, no wheat crop was sown. But spring oats was, and the work of preparation and planting has gone forward nicely this spring. Our new farmer has good ideas about farming, and has a good record behind him. His wife assists him with gardening.

As to the stock, cattle, etc., there is little to be said in itsfavor—wih old horses and sorry cows not much can be expected. But we expect to change such conditions. About the usual amount of pork and beef has been dressed as in previous years.

Some improvements have been made, and still others are needed. Since last May the Girls' Building has been painted inside, single beds put in, b thtub put in Girls' Building. A few months ago a connection was made with the Southern Power Co. by bringing the line from Rockwell to the Home at considerable expense, and just this week a motor was installed for pumping water. The old unwilling engine can now rest in peace most of the time. It will be used for sawing wood. A number of inside conveniences have been added, among which are electric irons, more kitchen equipment, dairy milk cans, water hose for filling tubs, pots and washer.

The support of the work is encouraging. Gifts and donations—great in variety and useful in character—came from eight states. A number of churches made their first gift, so they said, to Nazareth at Christmas time and since. The donations seem at least to equal those of the last few years. During this year two $5000 gifts were announced—one to be paid in several yearly installments, the other to be available in cash at one time. Judging from the growing interest expressed to the Superintendent as he goes about in behalf of the Home, the financial outlook is very promising. If the work can be kept before the Church through the concert class and otherwise the support I believe will be quite satisfactory. Just last week a lady, Miss Clara Lentz, came to train a class in concert work.

With no other desire than to serve the needy children of the Church through the Home, this report of our feeble efforts is respectfully submitted.

Respectfully,
A. S. PEELER, Superintendent.

In addition to the above report the Board of Managers hereby reports to this body that the following committee, consisting of J. T. Hedrick, B. S. Shuford, J. T. Plott, A. A. Blackwelder, Rev. A. S. Peeler and three ladies to be appointed by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Board, have been authorized to secure plans for the purpose of erecting a new Girls' Building. The Board requests this Classis to give its approval to said action.

The terms of office of Rev. J. D. Andrew, T. W. S. Ginnes and S. L. Whitener expire at this meeting. Also the vacancy occasioned by death of Dr. J. M. L. Lyerly must be filled. The Board took suitable action in regard to his death.

We hereby submit the Treasurer's report.

L. M. PEELER, Vice President.

Report of Treasurer, Nazareth Orphans' Home.

Balance May 1, 1922	$2131 55
Receipts during year	8963 62
	$11095 17
Disbursemnts—	
Insurance	$ 136 45

Note and Interest	279 65	
Gas and Oil	381 50	
Balance on Truck	625 00	
New Tank	186 75	
Freight, Repairs, Paint, Guano, Bath Room Fixtures	600 30	
Feed	865 13	
Groceries and Merchandise	1630 81	
Hardware	173 94	
Batteries and Lights	204 05	
Motor and Pump	217 40	
Power Line	615 80	
Salary and Wages	1540 13	
School Supplies	129 82	
Apportionment	81 16	
Beds, Bedding and Furniture	374 06	
Sundries	806 41	
		$8848 36
Balance		2246 81

Endowment—

David H. Hinkle Fund (loaned on Real Estate)	$ 500 00
Hoffman-Hodges Fund (Armour Co.)	2000 00
M. L. Mantz (Loan Real Estate)	500 00
May Fund (American Tob. Co.)	2500 00
Chas. M. Owen (Cert. Deposit)	100 00
George J. Wood (Hunter Mfg. Co.)	1500 00
J. T. Hedrick Fund (Annuity Bonds)	32500 00
	$39600 00
American Yarn and Processing Co	$ 800 00
New Building Fund (Sale High Point Property)	10979 00
New Building Fund	678 27
Certificate Deposit	562 94
Note (Lexington Groc. Co)	2000 00
Note (Lexington Groc. Co.)	2245 65
Cash in Bank	1568 54
	$18834 40

GEO. H. MOOSE, Treas.

The Auditing Committee, having audited the Treasurer's books, find the above statement correct.

J. W. PEELER,
B. S. SHUFORD,
L. M. PEELER.

Included in the above sum is the Mrs. D. T. Payne Fund of $13,438 24, for the new Girls' Building; also the Robert L. Leonard Endowment Fund of $500.00. (Note by Stated Clerk.)

The following report was received from the committee and adopted:

Your Committee on Benevolent Institutions beg leave to make the following report:

We note with pleasure from the papers in the hands of your committee the enrollment of the pastors by the Board of Ministerial Relief. We also note with pleasure the continued financial prosperity of Nazareth Orphans' Home and call attention especially to two splendid gifts of $5000 each to this beloved institution.

We recommend:

1. That all pastors of this Classis less than 60 years of age not on this list be added to the number, and that a sufficient amount for carrying the same be apportioned for this purpose.

2. That this Classis give approval for the erection of a new Girls' Building at the Orphans' Home.

3. That the same arrangment for collecting funds and provisions for the annual Orphans' Home Day as last year be made.

4. That every congregation in this Classis show increased interest in the Orphanage and heartily support this institution.

H. A. M. HOLSHOUSER,
B. J. PEELER,
T. A. SWING,

ARTICLE XXI.
EXAMINATION AND LICENSURE.

The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis:

Your Committee on Examination and Licensure beg to report that no applicant came before them and hence they report no work done.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. ANDREW,
J. A. PALMER,
S. J. SINK.

ARTICLE XXII.
PRESS.

The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Press beg leave to report that we have attended to our duties as well as time permitted, having had articles printed in the Charlotte Observer and the Charlotte News.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. CAUSEY,
J. H. KELLER,
SHUFORD PEELER,
J. W. WARLICK.

ARTICLE XXIII.
NECROLOGY.

The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Dear Fathers and Brethren:—Your Committee on Necrology beg leave to offer the following report.

Rev. J. M. Luther Lyerly, Ph. D.

Rev. J. M. Luther Lyerly, Ph. D., was born in Rowan county, North Carolina, five miles south of the city of Salisbury, Nov. 18, 1862; departed this mortal life March 17, 1923; aged 60 years, 3 months and 29 days. He was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Martin Lyerly. His father was called away in death when the son was but a youth. His mother lived to be quite aged, and the last years of her life were made comfortable in the home of this dearly beloved son. The subject of this sketch was baptized in infancy by Rev. Samuel Rothrock, pastor of Organ Lutheran Church, of which his father, Martin Lyerly, was a member. He was catechized in Lower Stone (Grace) Reformed Church, Rowan county, by Rev. Robert F. Crooks, and was confirmed a member of the same in 1878 when he had reached the age of 15 years. The boy Lyerly attended public school at the Peeler school house near his childhood home, his teachers being Tobias Peeler and H. A. Trexler. Later in life he himself taught two public schools, one at Lower Stone and the other at Peeler school house. As a boy he was studious and industrious, and was very desirous of securing an education. He was born during the progress of the Civil War. That struggle left most of the people in the South poverty-stricken, and his family had the rough experience of those trying times following the close of the war. After his father's death it became necessary for him to earn a living for himself and his mother. This fine woman was a splendid type of the real mother. She had been denied the privileges and blessings of a higher education; but she was a woman of fine common sense, deep spiritual life and consecration to all that is best and purest. In spite of handicaps in worldly possessions, she was determined that her son should have a College education, and to this end she struggled on through the years until her fond ambitions were realized. All honor to such a mother!

In 1880 Mr. Lyerly went as a pupil to enter Catawba High School at Newton, North Carolina, to prepare for College. He spent five years in this preparatory school under the tuition of such strong instructors as the late Dr. J. C. Clapp and Dr. J. A. Foil. He finished the preparatory work in the spring of 1885. Fortunately for him and other young men in the institution the Trustees resumed the original charter that year and in the fall opened the school as Catawba College, for which they held a charter since 1851. Mr. Lyerly entered as a Freshman along with several other young men and women. For various reasons all dropped out before the Junior year except three young men, viz., Moses A. Foil, Jacob C. Leonard and J. M. Luther Lyerly, the subject of this memorial. These three were graduated from Catawba College in May, 1889, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, being the first class to graduate from this southern institution of the Reformed Church. In 1892 this institution conferred upon him the degree of A. M. The degree of Ph. D. was conferred by Hopedale College, Ohio.

Dr. Lyerly was licensed to preach the Gospel May 4, 1889, at the annual meeting of the Classis of North Carolina in Brick Reformed Church, Guilford county. The Committee of Examination consisted of Drs. J. C. Clapp, P. M. Trexler, and Elder Sidney T. Wilfong. He pursued his theological studies privately under the supervision of Drs. P. M. Trexler, J. A. Foil and J. L. Murphy by appointment of Classis. In May, 1889, he received a call to become pastor of the Central Rowan Charge in Rowan county, the charge consisting of three small congregations, St. Luke's, Shiloh and Mt. Hope, with a combined membership of only one hundred. He was ordained Oct. 10, 1889, in St. Luke's Reformed Church. His salary was very small, about $300 per year at the first. Dr. Lyerly continued in his first charge from 1889 to June, 1892, when he accepted a call to the Lincoln Charge, composed of four congregations in Catawba and Lincoln counties. The Joint Consistory of the Central Rowan Charge strongly protested against their pastor's leaving them, and it was only on his promise to return to the charge if they could not soon secure another minister that final consent was given to his departure. The next summer the same charge extended to him a second call, and in July, 1893, he again became pastor of this charge. He continued to serve this charge until 1906, when a new charge was made consisting of Bethany and Mt. Hope, the former having been organized by him and added to his charge; this was called the Crescent Charge. Dr. Lyerly was pastor of the latter charge 1906-1908; 1909-1910 he was an instructor in Catawba College; he was stated supply of the Lower Davidson Charge, Davidson county, 1908-1918; stated supply of the Guilford Charge, Guilford county, 1920-1922; he was pastor of the Waughtown Charge, consisting of three churches in Davidson and Forsyth counties, from May, 1922, until March 17, 1923, when the Great Head of the Church dissolved the pastoral relationship and called the under-shepherd to the joyful service of the Church Triumphant.

Dr. Lyerly's life was a very busy and fruitful one. It was never his fortune to have a large salary, but he worked right on in the interest of the Kingdom. He was under the necessity of doing a great deal of outside work. His family was large, and it was his ambition to give each of his children a good education. During the whole period of his ministry he supervised his farm of a hundred or more acres. A good part of the time he was engaged in teaching. Through several years he owned and edited three papers at different times—The Concord Chronicle, The Albemarle Chronicle, The Reformed Church Standard. In 1896 he founded Crescent Academy and Business College at his home, and conducted a successful school for several years. One purpose he had in view was to provide the means of an education for his own children. He also desired to open the way to poor boys and girls who otherwise might not have the opportunity of an education. Dr. Lyerly's influence on many young people through his school was very great. He called to his assitance other good teachers, and hundreds of young people flocked to Crescent during the several years of its history, many of whom have become prominent out in the world. Seven of these young men be-

came ministers in the Reformed Church and three in the Lutheran Church.

In 1898, under the ministry of Dr. Lyerly, Shiloh Church was removed from its old location and a new church was erected in the town of Faith, a few miles distant. Easter Sunday in the year 1899 the beautiful new edifice was ready for dedication, and Dr. Lyerly and his people called his class-mate, Dr. J. C. Leonard, to preach the sermon on that happy occasion. It was an auspicious day, to which Dr. Lyerly always looked back with fullest joy. Dr. Lyerly organized Bethany Reformed Church at Crescent August 23, 1891. It is in God's Acre hard by this church, in a beautiful and quiet spot near his home, that his body was laid away to await the resurrection of the just.

This good man was the leading spirit in the founding of Nazareth Orphans' Home by the Classis of North Carolina. Dr. Lyerly was elected President of the Board of Managers, and he continued to hold that responsible position down to the day of his death. Before the Home was established he sometimes took orphan children into his own home. His heart always went out to the homeless, and this led him to urge upon Classis the need of an orphanage.

June 3, 1889, Dr Lyerly was married to Miss Mary Eugenia Peeler, of Rockwell, North Carolina. In this union were born eleven children, viz., Mrs. J. F. Coble, Toledo, Ohio; Mrs. E. F. Menius, New Bern, N. C.; Rev. J. N. Lyerly, Gilman, Iowa; C. H. Lyerly, Panama, Central America; R. P. and Virgil, Crescent; Maud, Ruth, Ethel, Bernice and Jean at Winston-Salem. All these children, together with Mrs. Lyerly, survive.

Dr. Lyerly was taken ill the last day of the old year, 1922, after having conducted the regular services of the Lord's Day in his churches. His sickness became so acute that he was removed from his home to a hospital in Winston-Salem, where later two operations were performed. But the nature of his disease was such that no hope was held out for his recovery, the affliction being malignant cancer. After two months he was taken back to the parsonage in Waughtown, a suburb of the city, where he lingered until March 17, when his spirit took its flight, and he fell peacefully asleep in Jesus. March 20th at 9.30 o'clock the body was carried from the home to the funeral parlors of the city, where a brief service was conducted by the Ministerial Association of Winston-Salem, in charge of Revs. D. W. Spink, B. A. Hunter, V. M. Swaim and J. F. Carter. The body was then taken to Bethany Reformed Church at Crescent, the old home of the deceased, where the funeral services proper were held, with the pastor of the church, Rev. H. A. M. Holshouser, Ph. D., in charge, who preached the funeral sermon from Isaiah 55: 8, 9.

Brief addresses were also delivered by Revs. L. A. Peeler, A. S. Peeler, W. C. Lyerly, J. A. Palmer and H. A. Fesperman, all former pupils of Dr. Lyerly. The floral designs were numerous and beautiful. Hymns were sung by a double male quartet from his Waughtown church and by the children of Nazareth Orphans' Home. The following ministers in addition to those already named were present at the funeral: Revs. W. W. Rowe, W. H. McNairy, J. H. Keller, B.

J. Peeler, J. A. Koons, H. A. Welker, Dr. Charles Peters, W. H. Causey

Life's day has come to a close. The tired body rests in its narrow house. Those who loved him so tenderly weep for their great loss. But the man himself continues to live. He is more alive today than ever before. If a man die he shall live again. His works do follow him.

Respectfully submitted,

J C. LEONARD,
H. A. M. HOLSHOUSER,
W. C. ROSE.

This report was adopted solemnly by a rising vote, and while the members of Classis stood humbly and reverently, the President requested the Stated Clerk to lead the body in prayer.

ARTICLE XXIV.
MISCELLANEOUS.

At the first session of Classis an address of welcome was delivered by Elder C. H. A. Rupp, which was responded to by the President.

The Committee on the State of the Church was instructed to secure the best possible figures from charges not reporting, and the same committee was authorized to correct certain figures from churches of the Guilford Charge so as to give credit for sums of money paid on apportionment.

Rev. C. W. Warlick was appointed a Committee of one on Advisory Members.

His report was as shown in the list of Advisory Members.

The matter of interest due from the Winston-Salem and Landis churches was referred to the Committee on Finance, and their recommendation is found in their report.

Rev. W. C. Lyerly was appointed Publicity Press Agent for the Classis, and the Stated Clerk was instructed to furnish proper credentials.

Elder W. R. Weaver and Rev. L. A. Peeler were invited to address Classis on the subject of the Men's Missionary Congress recently held in Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

Superintendent A. S Peeler introduced Mr. Hulin, farmer at Nazareth Orphans' Home, to the Classis, and he addressed the Classis briefly.

The following sums were referred to the Committee on Finance for apportionment: Stated Clerk's Salary and expenses, $111.50; Treasurer's salary and expenses, $105.75; printing Minutes of Classis, $325.00; General Contingent, $300.00; Church Building, $700.00; Reformed Church Standard, $750.00; Ministerial Sustentation, $650.00.

Along with the report of the Trustees of Catawba College the subject matter of President Wolfinger's address was referred to the Committee on Education. The attention of the Trustees was called to the requirement of Classis for the annual report of the Treasurer of the College immediately after their annual meeting for incorporation with the report of the Trustees.

The subject matter of the statements of Elder Euliss, of the Guilford Charge, was referred to the following special committee: Revs. H. A. Fesperman, M. Whitener and Elder E. T. Hedrick. They offered the following report, which was adopted:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee to whom was referred the matter of the Guilford Charge respectfully submit the following:

After careful consideration of the entire matter it is the judgment of your committee that the present arrangement be continued, with the pastors of the Greensboro and High Point Churches to have general oversight of the work in the charge.

H. A. FESPERMAN,
MILTON WHITENER,
E. T. HEDRICK.

The following action was taken:

Resolved, That $500 be donated to Calvary Reformed Church, of the Emanuel Charge, and $500.00 to Beulah Reformed Church, of the Upper Davidson Charge, to be applied on their new churches, the money to be borrowed by Classis, the congregations to pay the interest until such time as these sums can be raised by apportionment.

On account of rain Friday afternoon, at the suggestion of Rev. Shuford Peeler, the drive over the city was abandoned.

It was ordered that a business session of Classis should be held after the evening program Friday.

The following resolution of thanks was adopted:

Resolved, That the Classis of North Carolina hereby places on record an expression of its hearty appreciation of the royal manner in which the pastor and people of First Reformed Church of Charlotte have lavished upon us their hospitality while holding our 93rd annual sessions in their midst.

Resolved, That our Treasurer be instructed to pay to the Treasurer of First Church, Charlotte, the sum of ten dollars for the use of their church for our annual meeting.

During the sessions of Classis the following brethren officially addressed the body in the interest of the causes named: Rev. C. E. Schaeffer, D. D., the Board of Home Missions; Rev. J. G. Rupp, the Board of Foreign Missions; Rev. A. S. Peeler, Nazareth Orphans' Home; Rev. A. D. Wolfinger, D. D., Catawba College; Rev. J. C. Leonard, D. D., General Synod's Board of Ministerial Relief.

ARTICLE XXV.
RESUMPTION AND CLOSE.

The Committee on Leave of Absence offered the following report, which was adopted:

Your Committee on Leave of Absence beg leave to report that the following members have been excused to go home: Revs. A. S. Peeler, D. C. Cox, H. A. Welker, A. D. Wolfinger, J. H. Keller, W. H. Causey, Elders H. V. Ragan, K. L. Long, E. C. Euliss, E. A. Sink, J. B. Leonard, T. A. Swing, J. D. A. Fisher, J. W. Warlick, E. T. Hedrick, W. C. Rose, M. C. Barnhart, J. E. Misenheimer, J. H. A. Holshouser, W. C. Lemmons, E. S. Kluttz, C. W. Holshouser, L. W. Safrit, J. T. Hedrick. Respectfully submitted,

J. B. SWARTZ.

At the last session on Friday night, all business having been transacted, the roll was called and the Minutes were read and approved, and the Classis adjourned in form.

ARTICLE XXVI.
ADJOURNMENT.

The Classis adjourned finally Friday night at 11 o'clock, May 4th, to meet in adjourned session in the First Reformed Church of Lexington, Thursday, May 10, A. D. 1923, at 3 o'clock p. m., and in 94th annual sessions in St. Mark's Reformed Church, of the Guilford Charge, Burlington, North Carolina, May 6, A. D. 1924, at 8 o'clock. p. m.

J. A. KOONS. President.
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

Official copy from the original Minutes.
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

ADJOURNED MEETING.

The Classis of North Carolina met in adjourned session in the First Reformed Church of Lexington, May 10, 1923, at 3 o'clock p. m., with the following members present: Revs. J. A. Koons, J. C. Leonard, J. C. Peeler, A. O. Leonard, J. D. Andrew; Elders S. J. Sink, J. T. Hedrick. T. A. Swing. Advisory members: T. W. S. Grimes, H. C. Peeler. Devotional services were conducted by Rev. J. C. Peeler.

A request from Student O. Bain Michael, a graduate of Central Theological Seminary at Dayton, Ohio, was referred to the Committee on Examination and Licensure. The committee requested the assistance of the whole Classis in the examination. Subsequently the committee offered the following report, which was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Examination and Licensure beg to report that Student O. Bain Michael came before us for examination and that

the examination was satisfactory, and we recommend that he be licensed to preach the Gospel.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. ANDERW,

S. J. SINK.

Mr. Michael was requested to present himself, and having duly signed the Constitutional formula, he was licensed to preach the Gospel.

The Stated Clerk announced officially the death of Rev Peter M. Trexler, D. D. This matter was referred to the Committee on Necrology. Later in the session this commitee presented the following report:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Dear Fathers and Brethren:—Your Committee on Necrology beg leave to present the following report:

Rev. Peter M. Trexler, D. D.

The subject of this sketch was born in Rowan county, North Carolina, May 18, 1844; departed this life May 7, 1923; aged 78 years, 11 months, 19 days. He received his education in the public schools of his native county and in private schools of his home community. Later he entered the High School at Newton, chartered in 1851 as Catawba College. Here he also did two years of College work. The boy Trexler had decided that he was called to the ministry, and accordingly he shaped his studies with that end in view. In those years the Classis of North Carolina had great difficulty in keeping a supply of pastors sufficient to shepherd the people of the several congregations. Under the stress of this great need the young student was prevailed upon to seek licensure at the hands of the Classis before he had even finished his College studies, to say nothing of needed training in theological studies. When Classis met in 41st annual sessions at Emanuel Church, Davidson county, he asked for examination and licensure in the year 1871. The committee consisted of Revs. P. A. Long, J. C. Denny and Elder S. M. Finger. The examination was reported to be satisfactory, and he was therefore licensed June 2, 1871. At this same meeting of the Classis of North Carolina, Mt. Hope and Shiloh Churches of the East Rowan Charge asked to be constituted the Central Rowan Charge, and the request was granted. A call from this new charge to Licentiate P. M. Trexler, with his acceptance, was placed before Classis. It was confirmed and Revs. P. A. Long, J. Ingle and J. C. Denny were appointed to install him, which they did on a date shortly afterwards. Before the next annual meeting of Classis at Brick Church, Guilford County, in 1872, the Rev. Mr. Trexler had organized St. Luke's Reformed Church within the bounds of his charge and built a house of worship. This new congregation was added to the Central Rowan charge.

November 16, 1876, Dr. Trexler was married to Miss Frances Elizabeth Bostian, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bostian. He was bereaved of his wife September 14, 1893, thirty years ago. The following children survive: Mr. Guy A. Trexler, Mrs. Worth Smith, Mrs. Benj. Earnhardt, of Salisbury; Mrs. Herbert Kluttz, of Badin; Mrs. John Lyerly, of Granite Quarry. There are also two brothers: Mr.

John Trexler and Mr. Luther C. Trexler, and two sisters, Mrs. Frank Cauble and Mrs. L. W. Lingle.

Dr. Trexler entered the service of the Southern Confederacy in 1862, and continued in the same until the close of the war. He was a member of the Rowan Artillery, first under Captain John Ramsay and later under Captain James Riley. Major Haskel was in charge of the Battallion. Dr. Trexler's company was engaged in numerous battles, among them Seven Pines, Second Manassas, Seven Days, Fredericksburg, Sharpsburg and Gettysburg. He was captured along with his company by the Union soldiers April 5, 1865, near Appomattox. Later in the summer he was allowed to return to his home in North Carolina. He was ever a brave soldier for his beloved Southland, and he was also a good soldier of Jesus Christ.

The activities of Dr. Trexler's ministerial life are shown in the fields which he served as follows: Central Rowan Charge, 1871-1876; West Rowan, 1878-1880; Concord, 1885-1892; West Rowan, 1892-1895; Principal China Grove High School, 1895-1896; Professor in Catawba College, 1897-1901; Bethel Church supply, 1902-1903; Financial Agent of Catawba College, 1903-1904; teacher in Crescent Academy, 1905-1907; Lower Davidson Charge, 1907-1909; in retirement, 1910-1923. Though not in the active pastorate during these last 13 years, Dr Trexler taught a public school each year, having closed his last school just two weeks prior to his death.

In the year 1880, after this man had been an ordained minister nine years, he decided to finish his education, and he entered the third year at Franklin and Marshall College at Loncaster, Pa., and he graduated with credit two years later. Then he entered the Eastern Theological Seminary at the same place, from which he also graduated in 1885. Dr. Trexler has always been recognized by his brethren in the ministry as a strong preacher. He was a close student of the Word, in which he believed with all his heart. He made diligent preparation for his pulpit efforts, and he thought through to the bottom of the subject which he wished to present to his hearers.

Brief services were conducted from the late residence near Rockwell, May 9th, with words of comfort by Revs. A. S. Peeler and W. H. Causey. The body was carried to Mt. Zion Reformed Church at China Grove, where the funeral services were in charge of Rev. H. A. M. Holshouser, Ph. D. The sermon was preached by Rev. J. H. Keller, pastor of the church, from Isaiah 3: 1-3. Short talks were made by Revs. W. H. Causey, L. A. Peeler, W. C. Lyerly, C. C. Wagoner and A. Shulenberger. The Scriptures were read by Rev. J. A. Palmer, and prayer was offered by Rev. Shuford Peeler. Rev. J. C. Leonard, D. D., gave a biographical sketch of the life and labors of Dr. Trexler. Six ministerial brethren acted at pall-bearers: Revs. A. O. Leonard, C. C. Wagoner, J. C. Peeler, W. C. Lyerly, C. W Warlick, L. A. Peeler. Other ministers present were Revs. J. D. Andrew, J. A. Koons and Clinord Fisher, the latter of the Lutheran Church. Burial was made in the beautiful cemetery, Green Lawn, adjacent to the church by the grave of the wife of the deceased. The sun of life has gone down. The spirit has gone out of its earthly tenement house and has returned unto God who gave it. The work-

ing tools of life are no longer needed. The Master has said: "It is enough; come up higher."

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. LEONARD, Chairman.

The report was adopted by a rising vote, and while the members of Classis stood the President requested the Stated Clerk to offer prayer.

A call from Schlatter Memorial Reformed Church, Winston-Salem, to Licentiate O. B. Michael was placed in the hands of Classis with his acceptance. Being found in order the call was confirmed, and the following were appointed a committee to ordain and install him pastor of the said church: Revs. J. C. Leonard, J. D. Andrew and Elder S. J. Sink.

There being no further business, the Classis united in the Apostles' Creed and the Lord's Prayer, and the President pronounced the Benediction and declared the Classis adjourned.

J. A. KOONS, President,

J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

Name of Congregation	Name of Society	Name and Address of Secretary	Members		Contributions						
			Active	Associate	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Contr. to Y P. Dept.	Other Benevolence	To Local Ch Ex. of Soc		Has F. M. P. S. Program been Adopted
1st, Lexington	Y. P. S. C. E.	Miss Ruth Hedrick, Lexington	35		9			12	19		No
Corinth, Hickory	Y. P. S. C. E.	Elizabeth Abernethy, Hickory	45			50					No
2d, Lexington	Y. P. S. C. E.	Mary Williams, Lexington	58					26	131		
2d, Lexington	Jr. Y. P. S. C. E.	Mrs. Esther Kepley, Lexington	26								
St. John's	Intermediate C. E.	Mabel Archer, Kannapolis	12						25		
St. John's	Jr. C. E.	Mrs. T. P. Moose, Kannapolis	14								
St. John's	Y. W. M. A.	Lillian McCoombs, Kannapolis	9		5	5			20		
St. Paul's	Y. P. S. C. E.	R. J. Cooke, Kanapolis, R. No. 2	21								
Emanuel	Y. W. M. A.	Mrs. Hal Hoyle, Lincolnton	12		48				48		
Emanuel	Mission Band	Miss Ruby Rudisill, Lincolnton	16								
Ursinus	Y. P. S. C. E.	Mary Boger, Rockwell	24				3	2	3		No
1st, Charlotte	Y. P. S. C. E.	Ruth Peeler, Charlotte, R. No. 1	25	5			10	10	5		No
1st, Charlotte	Men's Club	S. B. Morton, Charlotte	50				125				
1st, Greensboro	Sr. Y. P. S. C. E.	Mary Wyrick, 429 Lee St., Greensboro	30		10			5	5		No
1st, Greensboro	Jr. Y. P. S. C. E.	Ruth Capel, 360 Lee St, Greensboro	25		14	6			3		
Trinity, Concord	Mission Band	Mary Lee Peck, Concord	29	14	8	8		75			
Trinity, Concord	Y. W. M. A.	Ethel Honeycutt, Concord	20	23	68	87					

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			Active	Associate	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Contr. to Y P. Dept.	Other Benevolence	To LocalCh. Ex. of Soc.	
New Gilead	Mission Band	Fred Neisler, Concord R. 3	25		6	6			1	
Keller	Mission Band	Ruth Brantley, Concord, R. 3	30		2	2				
Shiloh	Y. W. M. A	Maude Wilhelm, Salisbury, R. 3	25		25	10		25		
Shiloh	Mission Band	Helen Jones, Salisbury, R. 3	42		30	49		5		
Burlington	Y. P. S. C. E	Carl Clapp, Burlington	30							No
Burlington	Y. W. M. A	Miss Bertha White, Burlington	25							
1st, Waugtown	Mission Band		56					12		
1st, Waugtown	Young People's Class		20					15		
Lower Stone(Grace)	Y. P. S. C. E	Glenn A. Brown, Rockwell, R. No. 1	25	10				20	10	
Emanuel	Junior Baraca	Fred Bowers, Thomasville	18	5					11	
Emanuel	Baraca	Jesse E. Myers, Thomasville	40	9					43	
Emanuel	Jr. Philathea	Susie H rris, Thomasville	40	8					5	
St. Mark's	Y. P. S. C. E	Eva Rumley, Burlington, R. 4	22						5	
First, Salisbury	Y. P. S. C. E	Mrs. Anna Seils, Salisbury								
First, Salisbury	Y. W. M. A	Catharine Cope, Salisbury	14		12	12			32	
First, Salisbury	Jr. Philathea Class	Catharine Cope, Salisbury	6							
			839	74	238	236	138	207	361	

STATISTICAL REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Name of Charge	Name of School	Name and Post Office Address of Superintendent	Name and P. O. Address of Primary Supt.	MEMBERSHIP									Education					Church Relation			Contributions				
				1	Scholars						At Home										Missions				
				Officers and Teachers	2 Primary Dept. incl. Beginners	3 Junior Dept.	4 Intermediate Dept.	5 Senior Dept.	Total (This means the sum of cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)	Av. Attendance (based on cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)	6 Cradle Roll	7 Home Dept.	Total Enrollment (Add Cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7)	Books in Library	Are Reformed Lesson Helps used in School?	No. Org. Adult Classes	Teacher Training Clas.	No. Teacher Training Students Enrolled	Mission Study Classes	Scholars in full Church Membership	Scholars Baptized but not Confirmed	Scholars Confirmed During the Year	Home	Foreign	Gen. Synod's S. S. Work	Other Benevolence and Other Objects	Expenses and Support of School
1st, Lexington	1st, Lexington	J. T. Hedrick, Lexington	Mrs J. C. Leonard, Lexington	20	87	115	90	185	497	306			497	447	Yes	4				360	55	34	60	117	47	761	273
Lincolnton	Emanuel	C. C. Leonard, Lincolnton	Miss Minnie Michael, Lincolnton	11	19	12	8	27	77	48			77		Yes	1			1	50	20	3	16	19	9	58	136
	Daniel's	J. R. Warlick, Lincolnton		8	14		8	26	56	33			56		Yes					33	16		8		11	23	67
Winston-Salem	Schlatter Mem.	E. A. Sink, Winston-Salem		13	45	31	31	62	182	97	32		214	25	Yes	2			1	65	16	3				16	63
Greensboro	1st, Greensboro	J. T. Plott, Greensboro	Mrs. E. L. Wagoner, Glennwood	22	75	70	80	135	382	201	25		407	100	Yes	4			1	150	35	25	100	300		350	275
L. Davidson	Beck's	W. Z Grier, Lexington, R. 6		12	32	24	18	60	146	81			146		Yes					78	68	13				8	80
	Hedrick's Gr'e	E F. Hedrick, Lexington, R. 2		11	34	19	21	51	136	79			136		Yes					74	62						62
	Mt. Tabor	George B. Smith, Lexington		11	26	31	28	53	149	90			149		Yes					84	65	14					65
Newton	Grace	W. M. Wagoner, Newton	Mrs. S. L. Herman, Newton	19	42	27	71	51	210	120			210		Yes	2				110	50	17			23	51	303
2d. Lexington	2d. Lexington	T. A. Swing, Lexington	Mrs. A O. Leonard, Lexington	12	64	65	65	73	279	164	42		309	419	Yes	4				101	10	12				152	112
W. Hickory	Murphy Mem.	J. C. DeRhodes, Hickory		6	16			15	37	18			37		Yes	4				6		1					48
	Brookford	T. W. Mawney, Brookford		6	59	27	17	20	129	64			129		Yes					20		8				17	103
Kannapolis	St. John's	H. J. Peeler, Kannapolis	Mrs. T. P. Moose, Kannapolis	15	45	23	27	57	167	114			167		Yes	2			1	75	24	11	4	8	9	45	217
	St. Paul's	Other Deal, Mooresville, R. 1	Mrs. Other Deal, Mooresville, R. 1	11	20	12	6	56	105	60			105		Yes				2	68	37	1	5	6	7	20	95
South Fork	St Paul's	J. M. Bost, Newton		8	29	25	13	30	111	61			111		Yes					67	23	5	1	8	5	17	56
	Bethel	Gordon Whitener, Hickory		7	19	9	11	29	75	51			75		Yes					49	17	4	3	7	5	8	50
	Grace	A. R. Anthony, Lincolnton		8	17	13	16	27	75	56			75		No					60	16		4	12		13	53
Lincoln	Memorial	D. M. Carpenter, Maiden		13	12	10	15	45	82	56			82		Yes					54	18		25		10	100	140
	St. Matthew's	D. F. Campbell, Lincolnton, R. 4		10	22	28		40	90	61			90		Yes					51	19		10		9	75	40

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Corinth, Hic'y	Corinth	W. R. Weaver, Hickory	Mrs. H. C. Menzies, Hickory	24	82	25	45	60	236	174	32		268		Yes	2			140	90	5	50	250	36	250	225
Concord	Trinity	J. O. Moose, Concord		22	38	16	25	87	188	136	27	24	239		Yes	1			78	65	12			13	85	214
Gilead	New Gilead	Fred Neisler, Concord, R. 3		10	17	8	9	31	78	51			78		Yes	1			39	20	2					36
	Keller	Aaron Cook, Concord, R. 3		8	17	7	18	18	68	48			63		Yes				36	15						34
Emanuel	Emanuel	W. T. Faust, Thomasville		15	75	55	97	96	338	150			338		No	3			175	52						125
	Calvary	R. L. Lopp, Thomasville		10	28	32	35	40	135	55			135		No	2			80	1	1					31
	Zion	David Shuler, Thomasville		14	26	40	30	40	136	50			136		No				75	23	14					25
Zion Landis	Zion	B. S. Shuford, China Grove	Mrs. B. S. Shuford, China Grove	21	84	42	44	132	323	175			323		Yes		1	12	185	140	14				200	230
	Landis	O. S. Linn, Landis	Mrs. J. P. Linn, Landis	18	42	22	23	30	135	105			135		Yes		1	8	80	40	9				300	80
Rockwell	Ursinus	Yorke Peeler, Rockwell		18	34	32	26	78	188	112	10		199		Yes				109	65	7				216	164
	Bethany	A. S. Peeler, Crescent		11	25	23	24	26	109	74			109		Yes				44	21	5				40	58
	St. Luke's	J. C. Holshouser, Granite Quarry		8	14	8		45	75	38	5		80		Yes		1	12	1	38	12	3		2		62	37
U. Davidson	Bethany	J. L. Shaaf, Walburg, R. 1	Miss Mollie Lang, Walburg, R. 1	8	36	9	44	31	120	60			120		No				75	11						105
	Beulah	E. R. Everhart, Lexington, R. 4	John Tussey, Welcome, R. 1	15	66	50	66	100	297	142			297		Yes	2			255	37	5				21	195
	Pilgrim	J. T. Leonard, Lexington, R. 1	Miss Ellen Leonard, Lexington	15	56	29		119	219	129			219		Yes				210	48	3					312
Bear Creek	St. James'	A. O. Barringer, Mt. Pleasant		14	25	15	18	45	117	74			117		Yes				74	40			49			200
	Boger	W. A. Watts, Concord, R. 4		12	16	6	38	30	90	60	4		94		Yes				60	24						
	Bethel	J. A. Rowlind, Richfield		17	29	23	35	107	194	146			194		Yes				126	44	3			58		113

STATISTICAL REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Name of Charge	Name of School	Name and Post Office Address of Superintendent	Name and P. O. Address of Primary Supt.	MEMBERSHIP										Education					Church Relation			Contributions				
				1	Scholars						At Home											Missions				
				Officers and Teachers	Primary Dept. incl. Beginners	Junior Dept.	Intermediate Dept.	Senior Dept.	Total (This means the sum of cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)	Av. Attendance (based on cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)	Cradle Roll	Home Dept.	Total Enrollment (Adl Cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 6, 7)	Books in Library	Are Reformed Lesson Helps used in School?	No. Org. Adult Classes	Teacher Training Clas.	No. Teacher Training Students Enrolled	Mission Study Classes	Scholars in full Church Membership	Scholars Baptized but not Confirmed	Scholars Confirmed During the Year	Home	Foreign	Gen. Synod's S. S. Work	Other Benevolence and Other Objects	Expenses and Support of School
Catawba	Trinity	A. L. Shuford, Conover		11	31	24		58	113	70	17		141		Yes					57	46	6					80
	Bethany	L. P. Wilson, Claremont		3	12	15		20	47	25			47		Yes					17	9						20
	Symrna	Alva Martin, Catawba		7	25	40		72	137	72			137		No					84	25						75
Burlington	Burlington	Herbert Coble, Burlington	Mrs. D E. Clapp, Burlington	15	30	44	31	52	157	125	25		182		No	1							83		96	132
Thomasville	Thomasville	Albert Byerly, Thomasville		11	30	29	54	33	146	83	21		167		Yes	1				66	30	4		15	20	148	
Waughtown	1st, Waught'n	E. V. McGhee, Winston-Salem		20	55	42	40	38	195	134	25		220		Yes	2				84		4			80	252	
	Hebron	L. L. Nifong, Winston-Salem, R. 4		10	20	25		34	89	70			89		Yes					54	25	4		5			40
	Bethlehem	R. H. Livengood, Winston-Salem, R. 5		9	14	20		46	89	30			89		Yes					30							23
Faith	Shlioh	C. T. Gardner, Salisbury, R. 3		15	52	20	25	44	141	104	19		174	50	Yes					108	58	10			22		1139
Charlotte	1st, Charlotte	B. J. Summerow, Charlotte	Mrs. Shuford Peeler, Charlotte	18	40	20	32	40	147	100	14		161		Yes	3			1	90	20	7	20	25	25	200	100
Guilford	Mt. Hope	Mrs. H. W. Welker, Julian, R. 1		13	47	48	32	25	165	100	46	23	221		Yes					97				15		112	84
	Brick	James Shepherd, Burlington, R 10		10	20	22	25	65	132	80	35	8	175		No					125	25	15					50
	St. Mark's	C. V. Boone, Burlington, R. 4		9	25	12	7	70	123	75	22		146		Yes					110	25	18					65
High Point	First	J. W. Hedrick, High Point	Mrs. Edgar Whitener, High Point	16	60	55	33	121	285	182	32		317		Yes	4				130	70	1	12	16	17	90	510
Lenoir	Zion	I. T. Hedrick, Lenoir		8	12	10	25	13	68	41		6	74	75	Yes	1			1	40	20		30	50	25	35	88
Faith	Grace	R. L. Holshouser, Rockwell		12	22	11	10	112	167	110	9		176	100	Yes					95	75			23		55	73
	Mt. Hope	Martin Weaver, Salisbury, R 8		9	20	18	30	30	108	174	13		108		Yes	2				35	70					45	9
Salisbury	First	W. A. Barringer, Salisbury	Mrs.H.L. Meisenheimer, Salisbury	19	41	14	35	88	178	109	35	22	256	50	Yes	4	1	12		146	74				9	5	531
			TOTALS	698	1943	1453	1481	3036	8519	5123	690	83	9101	1206	47	45	4	44	9	4801	1850	285	431	913	555	3526	7930

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					Communicants	Communed	Unconfirmed			Confirmed	By Certificate	Renewal of Profession	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths, Communicants	Deaths, Unconfirmed	No. of Schools	Tot. Enroll, incl. Off. Teach., H. D. & C. Roll	Students for Ministry	Members of Auxiliary Organizations	For Home Missions	For Foreign Missions	For Education	Paid on Forward Movement Budget	For Other Benevolences	Total Benevolences	For Congregational Purposes
	John Inglo	Green Park, N. C.	Without Charge																							
	Michael L. Hedrick	Lexington, N. C., R. 6	Without Charge																							
	Paul Barringer, D. D.	Mt. Pleasant, N. C.	Without Charge																							
1	J. C. Leonard, D. D.	Lexington, N. C.	First, Lexington	1	480	366	88	15	19	25	5	.....	5	17	4	.....	1	497	....	35	559	692	119	1203	1506	3994	4719
2			Pilgrim	1	275	225	56	8	9	3	1	1	4	.....	4	.....	1	219	.....	.....	100	100	100	915	150	1365	725
3	James D. Andrew	Lexington, N. C., R. 1	Beulah	1	317	260	49	4	10	12	11	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	1	297	1	.....	.....	.....	13	86	166	265	1113
4			Bethany	1	77	70	11	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	.....	1	120	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	45	64	109	363
	Julius H. Shuford	Hickory, N. C.	Without Charge																							
5			Murphy Memorial	1	19	12	.....	.....	.....	1	4	.....	3	.....	1	.....	1	129	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14	14	.....
6	Wm. H. McNairy	Hickory, N. C.	Brookford	1	79	40	19	3	3	8	2	1	4	6	.....	.....	1	37	.....	.....	7	.....	.....	.....	30	37	322
7			Mt. Zion	1	299	200	135	10	2	15	4	.....	12	4	3	.....	1	323	.....	.....	253	800	250	702	.....	2005	1000
8	John H. Keller	China Grove, N. C.	First, Landis	1	111	85	46	6	.....	9	1	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	1	135	.....	.....	84	500	70	.....	74	728	200
9	Walter W. Rowe	Hickory, N. C.	Corinth, Hickory	1	374	280	125	7	1	7	13	.....	13	.....	3	1	1	268	....	148	425	900	300	1615	1500	4740	4500
10	Shuford Peeler	Charlotte, N. C.	First, Charlotte	1	119	100	51	6	2	7	15	2	7	.....	1	.....	1	161	....	33	99	154	100	370	279	993	2591
	Anth'y Shulenberger	China Grove, N. C.	Without Charge																							
11			St. John's, Kannap's.	1	95	90	36	4	3	11	8	4	15	.....	.....	.....	1	167	....	35	104	103	46	244	138	635	2376
12	Lee A. Peeler	Kannapolis, N. C.	St. Paul's	1	63	60	25	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	1	105	....	21	93	94	50	125	80	452	400
	A. Samuel Peeler	Crescent, N. C.	Supt. N. O. Home																							
13	C. C. Wagoner	Newton, N. C.	Grace, Newton	1	239	135	79	7	2	9	4	.....	3	.....	3	1	1	210	.....	.....	264	302	258	525	443	1792	4403
14			Emanuel	1	188	107	52	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	1	313	1	.....	8	2	.....	.....	104	114	612
15	Dougan C. Cox	Thomasville, N. C.	Calvary	1	108	75	1	.....	2	6	3	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	130	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	105	25
16			Zion	1	136	33	23	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	10	1	.....	.....	1	156	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	27	27	.....
17			Memorial, Maiden	1	70	68	36	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	8	.....	1	1	70	.....	.....	95	80	195	.....	225	1100	975
18	John A. Koons	Maiden, N. C.	Salem	1	31	29	16	1	.....	.....	1	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	57	30	66	137	101	371	288
19			St. Mathew's	1	89	80	54	9	.....	.....	4	.....	2	.....	2	.....	1	82	.....	.....	75	77	95	210	133	673	750
20	Jacob A. Palmer	Thomasville, N. C.	Heidelberg, Thomasv'e.	1	145	80	21	6	.....	.....	4	.....	3	6	1	.....	1	178	.....	.....	128	131	82	372	184	897	1530
21			Hedrick's Grove	1	102	89	56	4	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	7	1	.....	1	136	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	495
22	John C. Peeler	Lexington, N. C., R. 2	Mt. Tabor	1	91	73	39	11	5	11	2	.....	.....	7	2	1	1	149	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	230
23			Jerusalem	1	31	24	21	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	230
24			Beck's	1	175	133	88	9	3	4	2	.....	1	.....	3	.....	1	146	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	545
	Albert F. Nace	Atlanta, Ga.	Without Charge																							
25	Wm. C. Lyerly	Concord, N. C.	Trinity, Concord	1	138	129	42	10	.....	3	3	.....	10	2	.....	.....	1	239	....	86	316	320	79	605	358	1678	1676
26	Harvey A. Welker	Burlington, N. C.	First, Burlington	1	160	113	75	3	.....	3	1	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	1	182	....	.....	7	9	460	.....	.....	476	.....
27	H. A. M. Holshouser,	Ph. D., Rockwell, N. C.	St. Luke's	1	54	44	30	3	.....	3	1	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	1	80	1	.....	40	40	12	30	.....	122	.....
28			Ursinus, Rockwell	1	119	108	50	4	.....	7	3	5	4	1	1	.....	1	199	1	.....	88	88	90	500	.....	766	835
29			Bethany, Crescent	1	58	42	43	.....	4	13	3	.....	20	.....	.....	.....	1	109	2	.....	20	30	41	130	.....	221	303

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30	Harvey A. Fesperman	Greensboro, N. C.	First, Greensboro	1	215	171	50	3	11	18	24	2		2	2		1	407	1	60	140	140	70	330	430	1582	4300
	A. D. Wolfinger, D.D.	Newton, N. C.	Pres. Catawba College																								
	H. G. Kopenhaver	Newton, N. C.	Prof. Catawba College																								
	Frank L. Fesperman	Yamagata, Japan	Missionary to Japan																								
	Sterling W. Whitener	Yochow City, Hunan, China	Missionary to China																								
31	Milton Whitener	High Point, N. C.	First, High Point	1	167	90	44	7	1		6	3	4	12	1		1	306		58	139	139	85	887	408	1658	2669
32			St. James', Mt. Pl.	1	79	54	36				5		3				1	117			65	65	15	205	109	459	471
33	Chas. W. Warlick	Mt. Pleasant, N. C.	Bethel	1	214	195	55	2		3			9	2	2		1	211			146	100	33	700	129	1108	
34			Boger	1	78	53	24						2				1	102						315	15	330	162
35	A. Odell Leonard	Lexington, N. C.	Second, Lexington	1	132	73	10		18	10	1	3	4	1	1		1	309		94	99	99	68	79	124	412	1216
36			Emanuel, Lincolnton	1	66	34	23	3		3	9	1	2	13			1	77		45	96	116	38	205	161	616	1289
37	Banks J. Peeler	Lincolnton, N. C.	Daniel's	1	49	47	16						3				1	56		13	57	64	27	91	99	338	700
38			St. Paul's	1	113	80	28	5		5	3	1	1				1	111			46	54	46	221	58	591	509
39	John B. Swartz	Newton, N. C., R. 1	Bethel	1	79	52	17	3	1	5	5	1			1		1	75			3	7	30	85	38	305	490
40			Grace	1	85	61	19					1			1		1	75			21	38	37	60	47	320	510
	Wm. C. Shaw, Lic.	Burlington, N. C.	Supply Guilford Ch.																								
41	Wm. H. Causey	Salisbury, N. C.	First, Salisbury	1	169	131	34	3			24						1	256			150	150	80	362	318	904	2850
42	O. Bain Michael	Winston-Salem, N. C.	Schlatter Mem., W.-S.	1	88	56	16	2	3	3	1		4				1	201					20	49			209
43			First, Waughtown	1	92	65	3		4	1	3		1				1	220			68	68	46	300	59	516	474
44	Vacant		Hebron	1	91	68			1	4	2		2		3		1	85	1		30	30	28	149	56	246	188
45			Bethlehem	1	43	16			1	1							1	41					5	56	23	61	64
46	Vacant		Zion, Lenoir	1	55	50							5	3			1	71			30	50	25	347	164	269	619
47			Mt. Hope	1	115	113			5				6		7		1	259			17	18	25	377	68	505	505
48			Brick	1	128	80	24	6		22	5		1				1	175			6		25	100	88	219	75
49	Vacant		St. Mark's	1	118	85	24	4		18	7		3		4		1	145			35	14	22	212	78	344	60
50			Fairview	1	11	11					3										6	6	4		28	46	26
51			Shiloh	1	120	84	71	13		10			2		1	1	1	174		67	91	91	62		74	360	690
52	Vacant		Grace	1	124	115	70	3		5			7	3	2		1	176			50	45		637	64		400
53			Mt. Hope	1	69	52	70											108			17	18	22		43		100
54			Smyrna	1	43	37	25											100							20	20	
55	Vacant		Bethany	1	43	26	20																				
56			Trinity-St. John's	1	100	84	42											105			37	33	25		65	170	
57			New Gilead	1	120	88	55	2	1	2	4		7		3		1	78		25	40	69	15	235	186	545	552
58	W. C. Lyerly, Stated Supply,	Concord, N. C.	Keller	1	56	48	26	1			2		4			1	1	68		30	47	47	11	72	80	257	371
				58	7096	5277	2201	196	97	270	204	26	200	100	62	6	51	8945	8	750	4229	5823	3285	13903	8658	35860	50547

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Index Number	CHURCH	SECRETARY OF CONSISTORY OF CHARGE OR CONGREGATION	P. O. ADDRESS	Organization			Contributions										Val.of Ch Property	
				No. Memb. in Consis'y	No. of Families	Weekly Church Papers of Ref'd Church Taken	Ministerial Relief	Sunday School Extension and Education	Orphans' Homes	Other Benevolences Not Officially Related to the Congregation	Pastor's Support	Have you a Parsonage?	Paid on Indebtedness	Raised for Future Purposes	Paid for all Other Congregational Purposes	Paid for Benev. by Individuals, but not thru Congrega'l Channels	Churches	Parsonages
1	First, Lexington	J. T. Hedrick	Lexington, N. C.	22	209	18	48	48	595		2400	Yes			2320	600	30000	3500
2	Pilgrim	A. P. Long	Thomasville, N. C., R. 1	18	100				100		650	Yes			75		5000	5000
3	Beulah	E. R. Everhart	Lexington, N. C., R. 4	18	125				20		650	Yes			365		10000	
4	Bethany	W. A. Murphy	Thomasville, N. C., R. 1	8	42				11		300	Yes			3		3000	
5	Murphy Memorial	J. C. DeRhodes	Hickory, N. C.	3	11			4			116	No			33			
6	Brookford	O. H. Hunt	Brookford, N. C.	6	40			7	8		212				103		1000	
7	Mt. Zion	J. E. Correll	China Grove, N. C.	12	105	25	43	30	200		750	Yes	500				35000	2500
8	Landis	J. P. Linn	Landis, N. C.	8	42	10	17	11	150		660						30000	
9	Corinth, Hickory	J. W. Warlick	Hickory, N. C.	20	170	40	56	37	150	800	3000	Yes			2500	2000	50000	7000
10	First, Charlotte	J. Lester Fulbright	2005 E. 5th St., Charlotte, N. C.	12	53	11	16	25	110	150	900	Yes	300	100	750	125	48000	6000
11	St. John's, Kannap's	R. B. McCombs	Kannapolis, N. C.	8	35	3	13	9	31	17	550	Yes	1200	63	563	50	50000	8000
12	St. Paul's	J. F. McKnight	China Grove, N. C.	8	18	5	10	50	50	15	300			50	50	100	2 000	
13	Grace, Newton	W. M. Wagoner	Newton, N. C.	12	101		34	23	74		1493	Yes		648	2262		8000	6000
14	Emanuel	Jesse E. Myers	Thomasville, N. C.	11	68				31		450	Yes			104		1500	2000
15	Calvary	B. Black	Thomasville, N. C., R. 1	8	45						200		198		26		4000	
16	Zion	H. V. Ragan	Thomasville, N. C.	8	33						250				27		2000	
17	Memorial, Maiden	S. M. Finger	Maiden, N. C.	7	34	8	12	110	112	250	500	Yes		150	975	150	1800	3000
18	Salem	Jacob Ramseur	Lincolnton, N. C.	5	15	5	5	38	50	55	200				288	18	2500	
19	St. Matthew's	D. F. Campbell	Lincolnton, N. C.	8	40	3	13	60	30	75	300			25	750	60	4000	
20	Heidelberg, Thomasv	K. L. Long	Thomasville, N. C.	12	71		23	15	12	50	865	Yes	350		315		6000	3000
21	Hedrick's Grove	Grover Hedrick	Lexington, N. C., R. 2	8	36	1					465	Yes	3000		25		18000	5000
22	Mt. Tabor	A. H. Kepley	Lexington, N. C., R. 2	8	35						300		100		25		2000	
23	Jerusalem	P. I. Younts	Lexington, N. C., R. 2	7	15						210		125		15		1500	
24	Beck's	W. Z. Greer	Lexington, N. C., R. 6	8	51	4			8		525		200		20		1500	
25	Trniity, Concord	J. H. A. Holshouser	Concord, N. C.	12	61	13	22	14	242		1150	Yes		701	526		5000	3000
26	First, Burlington	Joseph A. Thompson	Burlington, N. C.	12	65	5			92		788	Yes	315		275	50	5000	7000
27	St. Luke's	Clarence Peeler	Salisbury, N. C., R. 6	6	18	17	4	7	175	16	212	Yes			18	22	1400	1500
28	Ursinus, Rockwell	J. L. Fisher	Rockwell, N. C.	8	41	14	16	11	420	30	775			150	65	80	1500	
29	Bethany, Crescent	Ray P. Lyerly	Crescent, N. C.	6	17	7	3	6	180	14	213				24	18	1000	
30	First, Greensboro	J. F. Troxler	Greensboro, N. C.	14	110	8	26	18	430	298	1400	Yes	400		2500	533	32000	8000

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31	First, High Point	H. Geo. Hedrick	High Point, N. C.	12	89	11	26	17	73	65	1000	Yes	3000		1669	100	25000	8000
32	St. James', Mt. Pl.	O. A. Barringer	Mt. Pleasant, N. C.	8	28		12	8	69		550	Yes		2000			3000	3000
33	Bethel	A. H. Penninger	Gold Hill, N. C., R. 3	8	48	73			59		688				70		6000	
34	Boger	E. S. Klutz	Rockwell, N. C., R. 1	6	29				8		162					16	1500	
35	Second, Lexington	T. A. Swing	Lexington, N. C.	12	69	2	19	35	47		600	Yes	759		507		2500	6000
36	Emanuel, Lincolnton	J. A. Shuford	Lincolnton, N. C.	6	28	8	10	47	60	24	400	Yes			889		25000	7000
37	Daniel's	J. R. Warlick	Lincolnton, N. C.	6	26	2	8	37	27	16	400				700		3000	2500
38	St. Paul's	Geo. D. Herman	Newton, N. C., R.	8	39	6	15	4	17		433	Yes			14		3500	1500
39	Bethel	Gordon Whitener	Hickory, N. C., R.	6	30	4	14	4	11		433				12		3500	
40	Grace	A. M. Icard	Lincolnton, N. C.	6	35	4	12		13		433				13		2000	
41	First, Salisbury	J. W. Lyerly	Salisbury, N. C.	12	72	12	22	15	92		865	Yes	735		1250		25000	3000
42	Schlatter Mem., W.-S.	E. M. Williard	Winston-Salem, N. C.	8	43	3					283	Yes	90	134	210		35000	5000
43	First, Waughtown	A. W. Linville	Winston-Salem, N. C.	10	59	1					275	Yes			199		10000	3000
44	Hebron	T. H. Livingood	Winston-Salem, N. C., R. 4	8	38	1			5		160				40		3000	
45	Bethlehem	O. H. Bodenheimer	Winston-Salem, N. C., R. 5	4	26	1					60				4		2500	
46	Zion, Lenoir	A. A. Blackwelder	Lenoir, N. C.	8	21	18		25	80	24	234	Yes	224		164	300	5000	5000
47	Mt. Hope	R. B. Andrew	Sedalia, N. C.	10	81						380	Yes					3000	1000
48	Brick	J. M. Shepherd	Burlington, N. C., R. 10	10	50						300				75		3000	
49	St. Mark's	C. V. Boone	Burlington, N. C., R. 4	8	54		5				300				65		3000	
50	Fairview	J. H. Joyner	Whitsett, N. C.	2	7		1	1			92				27		1500	
51	Shiloh	J. D. A. Fisher	Salisbury, N. C., R. 3	8	35	12	17		292	20	610	Yes	3590	451	710		35000	3500
52	Grace	R. L. Holshouser	Rockwell, N. C.	8	53	10	10		250		393				658		6000	1200
53	Mt. Hope	Geo. H. Pless	China Grove, N. C., R. 1	8	25		4										4000	
54	Smyrna	B. A. Hildebrand	Catawba, N. C., R. 2	8	19	3											500	
55	Bethany	L. P. Wilson	Claremont, N. C., R. 1	6	22												600	
56	Trinity-St. John's	A. L. Shuford	Conover, N. C.	8	33	7	10										2000	1000
57	New Gilead	Fred Neisler	Concord, N. C., R. 3	8	55	2	5	10	102	69	440	Yes			112		2500	1000
58	Keller	Aaron S. Cook	Concod, N. C., R. 3	6	21	1	7	6	35	32	210			47	161		1000	
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MINUTES

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OF THE

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NINETY-FOURTH ANNUAL SESSIONS

IN

ST. MARK'S REFORMED CHURCH

GUILFORD CHARGE, BURLINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA

May 6-9 A. D. 1924

SPECIAL MEETINGS OF THE YEAR 1923-1924

Carolina Printing Company
Gastonia, N. C.

LEMMATA.

Special Meetings.

Art. I Opening of Classis.

Art. II. Members Present.

Art. III. Election of Officers.

Art. IV. Permanent Committees.

Art. V. Rules of Order.

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Art. XXVI. Resumption and Close.

Art. XXVII. Adjournment.

MEETING OF CLASSIS, JULY 13, 1923

The Classis of North Carolina met in the First Reformed Church of Salisbury July 13, 1923, at 1 o'clock P. M., to act upon the following items named in an official call: 1. Statement of the Trustees of Catawba College. 2. Any other necessary matters claiming the attention of Classis. Devotional services were conducted by the President, who asked Rev. Dr. C. B. Schneder to lead in prayer. The following members were present: Revs. J. C. Leonard, J. D. Andrew, W. H. McNairy, J. H. Keller, W. W. Rowe, S. Peeler, A. Shulenberger, L. A. Peeler, A. S. Peeler, C. C. Wagoner, J. A. Koons, J. A. Palmer, J. C. Peeler, W. C. Lyerly, H. A. M. Holshouser, H. A. Fesperman, A. D. Wolfinger, M. Whitener, C. W. Warlick, A. O. Leonard, B. J. Peeler, J. B. Swartz, W. H. Causey; Elders J. P. Linn, G. D. Herman, J. T. Hedrick, J. O. Moose, L. W. Safrit, C. C. Leonard, W. G. Hinkle, W. C. Rose, J. E. Misenheimer; advisory members: Rev. C. E. Schaeffer, D. D., Rev. C. B. Schneder, D. D., Elders A. W. Moose, Dr. M. A. Foil, G. A. Fisher, R. L. Whitener. The following business was transacted:

1. The following official communication was received from the Trustees of Catawba College:

The Board of Trustees of Catawba College would submit for your information the following action taken by the Board at meetings held June 5, 1923, and July 13, 1923: 1. On June 5, 1923, the Board voted to accept the proposition offered by the Trustees of the Salisbury Normal and Industrial Institute in regard to their property on condition that the citizens of Salisbury raise the sum of $50,000 for the benefit of the Institution. 2. On June 13, 1923, the following action was also taken: The Board voted to suspend class-room work during the coming school year.

H. E. ROWE, Secretary of the Board.

The Classis adopted the following resolutions:

Resolved, That we endorse the action of the Trustees of Catawba College in suspending collegiate work during the coming year.

Resolved, That we request the Board of Trustees of Catawba College to reconsider its action of June 5, 1923, and advise the Board of Trustees to accept immediately the proposition of the Board of Trustees of the Salisbury Normal and Industrial Institute, and take over the property.

The following resolution on students for the ministry was adopted:

Resolved, That the Classis of North Carolina recommend students Sidney L. Safrit, Thomas Safrit, Charles E. Hiatt, Hoy L. Fesperman, John H. Causey and Grady Shoffner to the Board of Education of Potomac Synod for aid to the amount of $300 each.

2. The following report was received and adopted:

Your committee appointed to ordain and install Licentiate Olin Bain Michael pastor of Schlatter Memorial Reformed Church of Winston-Salem beg leave to report that this duty was attended to June 24, 1923, in the said church, all the members being present. The sermon was preached by the chairman, Rev. J. C. Leonard; the liturgical services were in charge of Rev. J. D. Andrew; Elder S. J. Sink assisted in the laying on of hands.

J. C. LEONARD, Chairman.

3. Notice was read from the Board of Ministerial Sustentation that $300 has been granted the Catawba Charge, but that the request from the Gilead Charge had not been granted. There was also a statement that this Classis last year failed to pay anything for the cause of Ministerial Sustentation. This being an oversight, the Treasurer was instructed to forward to this Board the sum of $104 raised by the Classis for this purpose.

4. An overture from the Joint Consistory of the Gilead Charge requested Classis to appropriate the sum of $300 towards the support of a pastor. This sum was voted out of the Classical sustentation fund, on condition that a regular pastor be secured.

5. The following report was received and adopted:

Your committee appointed to install Rev. H. A. Welker pastor of the Reformed Church in Burlington beg leave to report the matter attended to on the night of June 3, 1923, with two members of the committee present.

H. A. FESPERMAN,
J. C. PEELER.

6. A joint request from the pastor and consistory of the First Reformed Church of Salisbury for the dissolution of the pastoral relation after September 1, 1923, was granted, and the charge was declared vacant after the date named.

7. A request from Rev. W. H. Causey to be dismissed to the Classis of Virginia under date of September 1, 1923, was granted.

There being no further business, the minutes were read and approved, and the Classis adjourned with the benediction by the President.

J. A. KOONS, President,
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, AUGUST 17, 1923

Due notice having been sent out, the Executive Committee of the Classis of North Carolina transacted the following business August 17, 1923:

1. Rev. J. D. Maeder was received from East Pennsylvania Classis, Eastern Synod, and his name placed on the roll of ministers.

2. The call to Rev. J. D. Maeder from the Gilead Charge was found in order and confirmed. The following committee was appointed to install him pastor: Revs. L. A. Peeler, W. C. Lyerly and Elder J. H. A. Holshouser.

3. The pastoral relation between Rev. J. C. Peeler and the Lower Davidson Charge was dissolved and the charge declared vacant.

4. The call to Rev. J. C. Peeler from Zion Church, Lenoir, was found in order and confirmed. The following were appointed to install him pastor: Revs. W. W. Rowe, J. A. Koons and Elder J. W. Warlick.

J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

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MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, NOVEMBER 3, 1923

Due notice having been given, the following business was transacted by the Executive Committee of the Classis of North Carolina November 3, 1923:

1. Rev. Augustus C. Peeler was received from the Classis of Virginia, Potomac Synod, and his name placed on the roll of ministers.

2. The call to Rev. A. C. Peeler from the Waughtown Charge was found in order and confirmed, and the following installation

committee was appointed: Revs. J. D. Andrew, H. A. Fesperman and Elder S. J. Sink.

3. The following report was received and adopted:

Your committee appointed to install Rev. J. C. Peeler pastor of Zion Church, Lenoir, beg leave to report that the duty was attended to on September 2, 1923, at 8 o'clock P. M. Rev. J. A. Koons preached the sermon, Elder J. W. Warlick made a short address and Rev. W. W. Rowe conducted the liturgical part of the service.

W. W. ROWE,
J. A. KOONS,
J. W. WARLICK.

4. The resignation of Rev. W. W. Rowe as Editor of the Reformed Church Standard was accepted. A vote of thanks was extended to Brother Rowe for his faithful services in connection with the Standard.

5. Rev. C. C. Wagoner, of Newton, was elected Editor of the Reformed Church Standard. Brother Rowe's term of service closes with October, and Brother Wagoner is to assume charge at once.

J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

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MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE NOVEMBER 28, 1923

The following business was transacted by the Executive Committee of the Classis of North Carolina November 28, 1923, due notice having been sent to all members:

Rev. Abram D. Wolfinger, D. D., was dismissed to Eastern Ohio Classis, Ohio Synod.

The following report was received and adopted:

Your committee appointed to install Rev. J. D. Maeder pastor of the Gilead Charge beg leave to report the duty attended to Sunday night, August 28, 1923, all members of the committee being present.

L. A. PEELER, Chairman,
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

MEETING OF CLASSIS, DECEMBER 6, 1923

Due notice having been sent out for action on the following items of business: 1. Report of the Missionary and Stewardship Committee and the new apportionment of General Synod. 2. Any other matters claiming the attention of Classis; the Classis of North Carolina met in the new Catawba College building, Salisbury, N. C., December 6, 1923, at 1 o'clock P. M. Devotional services were conducted by Rev. J. H. Keller. The following members were present: Revs. J. C. Leonard, W. H. McNairy, J. H. Keller, W. W. Rowe, S. Peeler, L. A. Peeler, C. C. Wagoner, J. A. Koons, J. A. Palmer, J. C. Peeler, W. C. Lyerly, H. A. M. Holshouser, H. A. Fesperman, M. Whitener, A. O. Leonard, B. J. Peeler, J. B. Swartz, J. D. Maeder, A. C. Peeler; Elders J. P. Linn, D. F. Campbell, J. T. Hedrick, E. Whitener, J. H. A. Holshouser, J. R. Warlick, J. D. A. Fisher, J. E. Misenheimer. The following advisory elders were present: C. F. Bumgarner, J. W. Peeler, M. G. Lentz, G. H. Moose, D. T. Peeler, J. A. Peeler, L. M. Peeler, V. C. Lentz, H. C. Peeler.

The Missionary and Stewardship Committee presented the following report, which was considered by items, discussed at length, and finally adopted as a whole:

The Missionary and Stewardship Committee, feeling its responsibility and the responsibility of our people in the work of the Kingdom, desires to present the following report. Your committee has made some appeals, through letters and church papers, to pastors and consistories, urging prompt payment of the apportionments. When the Lord's money is held back, the work of the Boards must necessarily suffer.

The budgets for Home and Foreign Missions claimed considerable attention and discussion before our General and Potomac Synods. The two Boards of Missions presented statements as to their needs, and the amounts they ask are the amounts now actually expended annually.

The General Synod was unwilling to curtail the work of either of the two Boards of Missions, and instructed the Boards to continue to carry on their present work. It gradually became evident that if this is to be done the General Synod must approve of the budgets. Part of the report says: "Accordingly General Synod, recognizing the estimates of the Boards as modest and fair, and still far below the larger terms in which the interests of God's Kingdom should be thought of by His children, respectfully hereby directs as follows," and then approves of the total budgets of the Boards of Home Missions and Foreign Missions.

The annual budgets for the two Boards are as follows: $476,000 for Home Missions, and $517,688.50 for Foreign Missions.

The United Missionary and Stewardship Committee, after a very careful study of the methods of apportionments used by other denominations, and of the conditions of our own church, recommended a new method of apportioning the budgets of the Boards. The per capita method of apportionment, adopted nine years ago, has many disadvantages and is not used in any of the large denominations.

The General Synod did not adopt the new method of apportionment in full but recommended it to the Classis for very careful study. The plan adopted by the Synod is a kind of compromise between the old per capita method and the new plan, in that it embodies some features of both.

The method of apportioning among the Classis the budgets of Home Missions and Foreign Missions adopted by General Synod, is to add together $1.00 for each member and a proportionate share of the balance of the budgets. This proportion of the balance of each budget is based on the amounts given for congregational purposes and benevolences during the last three years.

A conference of all Missionary and Stewardship Committees was held in Harrisburg, Pa., Sept. 6 and 7, and unanimously accepted the apportionments as worked out by the new system authorized by General Synod, expressing the hope that many congregations may reach the new apportionment in 1923-1924. The new plan of apportionment, however, does not officially go into effect until the Classical year 1924-1925.

The General Synod further directed that the budget of the Classis is to be distributed among the several congregations on the same basis. Your committee has tried to do that and a detailed report will follow. We will give you later a table of apportionments for your various congregations as directed, and it should be used for the instruction of your people before the every member canvass.

Therefore, your Missionary and Stewardship Committee desires to make the following recommendations:

1. That the Classis adopt the full benevolent budget assigned by the General Synod.

2. That the Classis adopt the $1.00 plan per capita for Home Missions and $1.00 per capita for Foreign Missions, and balance to be put on "Ability and Willingness plan" without change as adopted by General Synod.

3. That the Missionary and Stewardship Committee be instructed to prepare tables for Home and Foreign Missions on the

basis of items 1 and 2, to be sent out to the congregations immediately.

4. That the congregations make a strong effort to raise during the year the whole apportionment. Do not emphasize the per capita amount. Let each one give with the entire amount in view. Treat the apportionment the same as you do your budget for local expenses. The apportionment is a debt we owe. It is the least we should do in our benevolences. It is the decided opinion of this committee that the entire budget should be raised.

5. That every congregation be asked to prepare its benevolent budget carefully, and clearly showing that to raise the entire amount requires only about 8c per week.

6. That congregations not having a plan of systematic giving are asked to adopt a method of systematic giving that will work best in those churches.

7. That every congregation be asked to put on a carefully instituted every member canvass annually.

8. That pastors in their sermons are to continue to keep in mind the vital importance of developing the spiritual life of the congregation as one of the best means of securing the largest financial returns. Your committee is agreed in its recommendations that the only right way to estimate the "per capita" giving is not, "how much does the other person give" but rather "how much of that which God has given to me should I return to Him." Margaret Warburton very aptly summed up the matter when she wrote:

"And must I keep giving
Again and again?"
"Oh, no," said the angel;
His glance pierced me through;
"Just give till the Master
Stops giving to you."

9. That church treasurers make monthly remittances to the Classical treasurer of benevolent money.

SHUFORD PEELER,
H. A. FESPERMAN,
J. A. KOONS,
J. P. LINN,
HERBERT COBLE.

The resignation of Mr. George Moose and Rev. W. W. Rowe as Trustees of Catawba College was presented to the Classis. By formal action same was accepted. The following resolution was adopted by Classis:

Resolved, That the Classis of North Carolina proceed to fill two vacancies in the Board of Trustees of Catawba College and request the Synod of the Potomac to approve this action.

The following were chosen Trustees of Catawba College: Mr. J. P. Linn, of Landis, and Dr. J. C. Leonard, of Lexington, the former to succeed Mr. George Moose and the latter Rev. W. W. Rowe.

Rev. W. W. Rowe resigned from the Board of Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home. Rev. C. C. Wagoner was elected to fill the vacancy.

Rev. W. W. Rowe also presented his resignation as a Trustee of Classis. The resignation was accepted, and Rev. C. C. Wagoner was elected in his place.

At the joint request of the pastor and consistory the pastoral relation between Rev. W. W. Rowe and Corinth Reformed Church of Hickory was dissolved from January 31, 1924, and the charge declared vacant after that date.

Your committee appointed to install Rev. A. C. Peeler pastor of the Waughtown Charge beg leave to report that the duty was attended to at 7 o'clock P. M., November 28, 1923, in the First Reformed Church of Waughtown, all members of the committee being present and taking part in the services.

J. D. ANDREW,
H. A. FESPERMAN,
S. J. SINK.

The following action was taken:

Resolved, That a rising vote of thanks be given Rev. W. W. Rowe for his services in numerous capacities and ways within the Classis during the years past.

Resolved, That we are deeply gratified at his election to a professorship in Central Theological Seminary, and that we pray the blessing of God upon him in this wide field of useful service.

Resolved, That we request Dr. J. C. Leonard to lead us in prayer while the members of Classis stand in the vote.

A unanimous vote was given, and Dr. Leonard led the Classis in a fervent prayer.

There being no further business, the Classis adjourned with the benediction by the President.

J. A. KOONS, President,
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

NINETY-FOURTH ANNUAL SESSIONS

OF THE

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REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES

ACTS AND PROCEEDINGS

ARTICLE I

OPENING OF CLASSIS

The Classis of North Carolina, Synod of the Potomac, Reformed Church in the United States, met in ninety-fourth annual sessions in St. Mark's Reformed Church, Guilford Charge, R. F. D., Burlington, North Carolina, May 6, A. D. 1924, at 8 o'clock P. M. The sermon was preached by Rev. John A. Koons, of Maiden, retiring President of Classis, from Hebrews 13:8—"Jesus Christ the same Yesterday, and Today and Forever." The liturgical services were conducted by Revs. H. A. Welker and W. C. Lyerly. Following the sermon, the President requested Rev. W. W. Rowe to lead in prayer. The Stated Clerk called the roll and a quorum was found present.

ARTICLE II.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

Ministers—J. C. Leonard, D. D., J. D. Andrew, W. H. McNairy, W. W. Rowe, S. Peeler, L. A. Peeler, A. S. Peeler, C. C. Wagoner, D. C. Cox, J. A. Koons, J. A. Palmer, J. C. Peeler, W. C. Lyerly, H. A. Welker, H. A. M. Holshouser, Ph. D., H. A. Fesperman, M. Whitener, C. W. Warlick, A. O. Leonard, B. J. Peeler, J. B. Swartz, W. C. Shaw (Lic.), O. B. Michael, J. D. Maeder, A. C. Peeler.

Elders—W. R. Weaver, W. R. Whitt, B. S. Shuford, Dr. A. W. Moose, G. S. Wilfong, T. L. Finger, J. T. Hedrick, B. C. Nance, L. J. Shive, B. M. Hedrick, E. R. Everhart, E. Whitener, C. S.

Long, R. L. Lopp, J. Honeycutt, J. F. Troxler, D. E. Clapp, A. A. Blackwelder, M. C. Bodenhamer, D. T. Peeler, D. M. Klutz, C. C. Leonard, E. D. Fox, R. L. Holshouser, R. B. McCombs, A. S. Cook.

Advisory Members—Rev. J. P. Moore, D. D., Missionary to Japan; Rev. E. L. McLean, Board of Ministerial Relief; R. S. Adams, Rural Field Worker of the Board of Home Missions; Mr. J. Q. Truval, Forward Movement; Hon. J. W. Hedrick, E. T. Hedrick, W. T. Clapp, C. T. M. Clapp, C. V. Boone, J. M. Cheek, Dr. H. M. Montgomery, R. B. Andrew, Bruce Montgomery.

The following charges were not represented by elders: Catawba; West Hickory; Grace, Newton.

ROLL OF ELDERS

CHARGE	PRIMARIUS	SECUNDUS
Corinth, Hickory	W. R. Weaver	C. C. Bost
Guilford	W. R. Whitt	C. T. M. Clapp
Zion-Landis	B. S. Shuford	J. E. Corriher
Bear Creek	Dr. A. W. Moose	J. L. C. Miller
South Fork	G. S. Wilfong	Gordon Whitener
Lincoln	T. L. Finger	C. E. Ramsaur
Grace, Newton	C. Clapp	J. W. Hardister
First, Lexington	J. T. Hedrick	H. H. Koonts
Second, Lexington	B. C. Nance	A. L. Burkhart
First, Salisbury	L. J. Shive	G. A. Fisher
Lower Davidson	B. M. Hedrick	J. W. Frank
Upper Davidson	E. R. Everhart	H. C. Tussey
First, High Point	Edgar Whitener	J. R. Young
Heidelberg, Thomasville	C. S. Long	W. G. Hinkle
Emanuel	R. L. Lopp	W. F. Clinard
Trinity, Concord	Joel Honeycutt	B. F. Wagoner
First, Greensboro	J. F. Troxler	O. L. Capel
First, Burlington	D. E. Clapp	W. A. Moody
Zion, Lenoir	J. P. Rabb	A. A. Blackwelder
Waughtown	M. C. Bodenhamer	A. A. Long
Rockwell	D. T. Peeler	C. B. Fisher
Winston-Salem	D. M. Klutz	E. M. Willard
Lincolnton	C. C. Leonard	J. R. Warlick
West Hickory	----------	----------
First, Charlotte	E. D. Fox	J. L. Fulbright
Faith	R. L. Holshouser	H. G. Foil
Catawba	----------	----------
Kannapolis	W. C. Rose	R. B. McCombs
Gilead	A. S. Cook	R. F. Cline

ARTICLE III.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The following were elected officers of Classis: Rev. W. C. Lyerly, Concord, N. C., President; Elder Edgar Whitener, High Point, N. C., Vice-President; Rev. O. B. Michael, Winston-Salem, N. C., Corresponding Secretary; Rev. J. B. Swartz, Newton, N. C., Reading Clerk;Rev. Milton Whitener, High Point, N. C., Treasurer. Rev. J. C. Leonard, D. D., continues Stated Clerk.

ARTICLE IV.

PERMANENT COMMITTEES

1. Executive Committee—Revs. W. C. Lyerly, J. C. Leonard, Elder J. T. Hedrick.

2. Sunday School—Revs. B. J. Peeler, A. O. Leonard, Dr. A. W. Moose.

3. Missionary and Stewardship—Revs. H. A. Fesperman, J. A. Koons, L. A. Peeler; Elders Edgar Whitener, A. A. Blackwelder.

4. Mrs. Rebecca Solliday Church Building Fund—Elder J. B. Leonard, 3 years; Rev. C. C. Wagoner, 2 years; Rev. H. A. Fesperman, 1 year.

5. George G. Solliday Beneficiary Education Fund—Revs. H. A. Fesperman, B. J. Peeler, Elder L. J. Shive.

6. Trustees of Classis—Rev. C. C. Wagoner, Elders, J. A. Propst, T. L. Hunsucker.

7. Vacancy and Supply—Revs. W. C. Lyerly, J. C. Leonard, Elder J. T. Hedrick.

8. Young People's Societies—Revs. A. O. Leonard, H. A. Welker, Elder R. B. McCombs.

9. Religious Literature—Revs. H. A. Fesperman, W. H. McNairy, Elder D. E. Clapp.

10. Social Service and Rural Work—Revs. J. C. Peeler, H. A. M. Holshouser, Elder R. L. Holshouser.

11. Temperance—Revs. J. A. Koons, D. C. Cox, Elder R. L. Lopp.

12. Historical Society—Revs. J. C. Leonard, W. W. Rowe, Elder E. R. Everhart.

13. Forward Movement—Rev. W. C. Lyerly, Edgar Whitener, J. T. Hedrick, J. W. Peeler, W. R. Weaver.

14. Evangelism—Revs. H. A. Fesperman, B. J. Peeler, Elder W. R. Weaver.

15. Hopewell Interest—Rev. O. B. Michael.

16. Informant to General Synod's Board of Ministerial Relief—Rev. J. C. Leonard.

17. Publicity Press Agent—Rev. W. C. Lyerly.

18. Reformed Church Standard—Rev. C. C. Wagoner.

19. Guilford Charge Supply—Revs. H. A. Fesperman, Milton Whitener, H. A. Welker, Elder J. F. Troxler.

20. Faith Charge Supply—Revs. H. A. M. Holshouser, C. W. Warlick, Elder D. T. Peeler.

21. Catawba Charge Supply—Revs. J. C. Peeler, H. G. Kopenhaver, Elder A. A. Blackwelder.

22. Audit Committee—Rev. H. A. Fesperman, J. A. Palmer, Elder J. F. Troxler.

ARTICLE V.

RULES OF ORDER

General Synod's Rules of Order were observed. The President defined the Bar of the House to be the first six rows of pews in front of the chancel. The following hours were fixed for opening and closing the sessions: Meet at 8:30 o'clock a. m., and close at 5 p. m., with a recess from 12 noon to 1:30 p. m.

ARTICLE VI.

STANDING COMMITTEES

1. Religious Services—W. C. Shaw, H. A. Welker, W. R. Whitt.

2. Minutes of Classis—J. C. Leonard, O. B. Michael, B. M. Hedrick.

3. Minutes of Potomac Synod—J. C. Peeler, J. D. Maeder, A. A. Blackwelder.

4. Minutes of General Synod—H. A. Fesperman, Milton Whitener, B. S. Shuford.

5. Overtures—C. C. Wagoner, B. J. Peeler, D. T. Peeler.

6. Missions—H. A. M. Holshouser, Shuford Peeler, J. T. Hedrick.

7. Benevolent Institutions—J. B. Swartz, A. C. Peeler, A. W. Moose.

8. Education—L. A. Peeler, H. A. Fesperman, Edgar Whitener.

9. State of the Church—J. A. Koons, A. S. Peeler, C. S. Long.

10. Nominations—J. D. Andrew, Shuford Peeler, L. J. Shive.

11. Finance—J. A. Palmer, Milton Whitener, T. L. Finger.

12. Examination and Licensure—C. W. Warlick, J. D. Andrew, E. D. Fox.

13. Young People's Societies—A. O. Leonard, H. A. Welker, R. B. McCombs.

14. Press—W. R. Weaver, W. W. Rowe, C. C. Leonard, H. A. Welker.

15. Leave of Absence—A. C. Peeler, D. C. Cox, D. E. Clapp.

16. Necrology—W. H. McNairy, J. A. Koons, R. L. Lopp.

ARTICLE VII.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Copies of the Minutes of Classis and of the General Synod and of the Potomac Synod were referred to the committees on these subjects.

2. The Treasurer's report was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

3. The report of the Trustees of Catawba College was read and referred to the Committee on Education.

4. Reports from the Boards of Missions were referred to the Committee on Missions.

5. Reports of the Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home, the Relief Society and the Sunday School Board were read and referred to the proper committees.

6. Other communications were received and referred to the Committee on Overtures.

ARTICLE VIII.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Tuesday, May 6th at 8 o'clock P. M., Rev. H. A. Welker presiding. Sermon by Rev. J. A. Koons. Organization of Classis. Address of Welcome by Lic. W. C. Shaw.

Wednesday night, Rev. Shuford Peeler presiding. Address on Foreign Missions by Rev. J. P. Moore, D. D., Missionary to Japan.

Thursday night, Rev. J. C. Peeler presiding. Address on Ministerial Relief by Rev. E. L. McLean, Treasurer of the Board of Ministerial Relief. Address by Mr. Ralph S. Adams, Rural Field Worker of the Board of Home Missions.

W. C. SHAW, Chairman.

ARTICLE IX.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS

Reports were presented by the several ministers of the Classis. The Constitutional questions were asked, and the elders gave satisfactory answers. The reports were referred to the Committee on the State of the Church.

ARTICLE X.

MINUTES OF CLASSIS

1. Page 9. (a) Executive Committee. (b) Sunday Schools. (c) Missionary and Stewardship. (d) Rebecca Solliday Church Building Fund. (e) George G. Solliday Beneficiary Education Fund. (f) Trustees of Classis. (g) Vacancy and Supply. (h) Y. P. Societies. (i) Religious Literature. (j) Social Service and Rural Work. (k) Temperance. (l) Historical Society. (m) Forward Movement.

2. Page 18. Hopewell interest committed to Rev. O. B. Michael.

3. Page 19. Informant to Board of Ministerial Relief, Rev. J. C. Leonard.

4. Page 45. Rev. W. C. Lyerly, Press Agent.

5. Page 26. Reformed Church Standard Staff.

6. Page 46. Supply for the Guilford Charge: Revs. H. A. Fesperman and M. Whitener.

7. Bethel Church property, High Point.

J. C. LEONARD,
O. B. MICHAEL,
B. M. HEDRICK.

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The several items were disposed of as follows:

(a) The Executive Committee transacted the following business during the Classical year: August 17, 1923, received Rev. J. Dudley Maeder from East Pennsylvania Classis, Eastern Synod; confirmed a call to him from the Gilead Charge, and appointed the following committee to install him pastor: Revs. L. A. Peeler, W. C. Lyerly and Elder J. H. A. Holshouser. On the same date dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. J. C. Peeler and the Lower Davidson Charge, and declared the charge vacant; confirmed a call to Rev. J. C. Peeler from Zion Church, Lenoir, and appointed the following committee to install him pastor: Revs. W. W. Rowe, J. A. Koons and Elder J. W. Warlick. November 3, 1923, received Rev. A. C. Peeler from Virginia Classis, Potomac Synod; confirmed a call to him from the Waughtown Charge, and appointed the following committee to install him pastor: Revs. J. D. Andrew, H. A. Fesperman and Elder S. J. Sink; received and adopted the report of the committee stating that Rev. J. C. Peeler was installed pastor of Zion Church, Lenoir, September 2, 1923; accepted the resignation of Rev. W. W. Rowe as editor of The Reformed Church Standard; adopted a resolution of thanks for the fine services of Brother Rowe in this capacity; elected Rev. C. C. Wagoner, of Newton, editor to succeed Rev. W. W. Rowe, his term of service to begin October 31, 1923. November

28, 1923, dismissed Rev. A. D. Wolfinger, D. D., to Eastern Ohio Classis, Ohio Synod; adopted the report of the committee stating that Rev. J. D. Maeder was installed pastor of the Gilead Charge August 28, 1923.

J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

(b) Your committee on Sunday School work submit the following report: We note, with pleasure, indications of faithful service in all departments of the work. There have been splendid gains in membership and in average attendance. The benevolent and expense columns, however, show a marked decrease. All but four schools are now using Reformed Lesson Helps, four having changed during the past year. There has been a gradual decrease in the number of teacher training classes during the last three years, as follows: 7 classes, 90 pupils; 4 classes, 44 pupils; 4 classes, 40 pupils.

It is an encouraging feature of the work to note that almost all vacant charges report good schools with an increase in scholars and benevolences.

The committee suggest the following recommendations:

(1) That wherever possible schools conduct Daily Vacation Bible Schools. We also commend the winter Religious Day School to the attention of officials.

(2) Recognizing the value of the training received in the Summer Conference and the need of trained leadership, we recommend that all schools send as many delegates as possible.

B. J. PEELER,
A. O. LEONARD.

(c) Your Missionary and Stewardship Committee submit the following report:

A few days after the annual meeting of our Classis in Charlotte in May, 1923, your committee sent letters to every pastor asking them to preach on the subject of Stewardship about the last of May and urge the people to become tithers. We also requested Dr. Lampe, of Philadelphia, to mail Stewardship blanks to each pastor so that you might enlist tithers. From time to time during the year we have printed reports of all apportionment moneys received from the several congregations within the Classis. We have also written letters to pastors and laymen urging their congregations to pay the apportionment in full. There was held in the city of Salisbury on Dec. 6th, 1923, a special meeting of the Classis of North Carolina for the purpose of discussing the new and higher apportionment sent down by the General Synod. There was a large attendance of ministers and laymen, and after a full and free discussion of the subject the Classis voted to adopt the new plan of apportionment and make a strenuous effort to

raise it. This new plan of the apportionment officially goes into effect with this meeting of Classis. Your committee distributed to each church, immediately following the meeting in Salisbury, the budget according to the new plan based on the membership figures as reported at the last annual meeting of Classis. This report was given to the churches for their study and adoption, hoping that at least some of the congregations might pay the increased amounts during the past Classical year.

The following congregations have paid the apportionment in full as sent down at the last annual meeting at Charlotte: Burlington, Greensboro, High Point, Winston-Salem, Waughtown, Thomasville, First and Second Lexington, Salisbury, Rockwell, Mt. Zion, Landis, Kannapolis, St. Paul's Kannapolis Charge, Mt. Pleasant, Charlotte, Lincolnton, Daniels, Maiden, St. Matthews, Salem, Newton, Hickory, Lenoir and Whitsett. You will note there are 25 in all that paid in full. Last year there were 28, including the ones named above and in addition, Faith, Concord, and Boger. You will note that 14 of the 25 are missions.

Receipts for Home Missions, $3,533.10, as compared with $3,663.85. Short of last year $130.75. Foreign Missions, $4,836.47 as compared with $4,488.82 last year. Above last year $347.65. Included in this year's receipts, however, is $740.00 paid by the Hickory congregation toward the salary of Missionary Whitener, so that the receipts from the same congregations are less than last year.

Ministerial relief receipts, $592.92, as compared with $711.71 last year. Beneficiary education, $895.86, as compared with $876.81. Publication and Sunday School Board, $425.63, as compared with $450.32 last year. Catawba College, $1,148.02, as compared with $1,394.99 last year.

Fourteen congregations paid nothing on Home Missions and one other less than $10.00. 16 paid nothing on Foreign Missions, and four others less than $10.00.

Total received on apportionment, $15,498.15, as compared with $15,872.46 last year, a shortage of $374.31 this year as compared with last year. Brethren, this ought not to be.

We desire to make the following recommendations:

1. That all pastors be requested to present the subject of Stewardship to their several congregations from the 15th to the 30th of May this year, urging and enlisting our people to become tithers, also laying special emphasis on the payment of the full apportionment for the coming year.

2. That all pastors and Consistories be requested to launch as soon as possible whatever effort is necessary to pay the new

apportionment in full. To meet it requires only about 8c per member each week.

3. That all congregational Treasurers be requested to send a monthly quota of their full apportionment to the Classical Treasurer at the end of each month with the same degree of regularity that they pay their pastor's salary.

4. That all Consistories be urged to make an annual Every-Member Canvass and use the duplex envelopes.

5. That congregations be urged to begin raising the apportionment at once and not put it off till near the end of the year. The only way to succeed is to begin now. To wait and then begin raising the apportionment a month or two before the next annual meeting of Classis means failure.

The expense of the committee is $9.56.

SHUFORD PEELER,
JOHN A. KOONS,
H. A. FESPERMAN.

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Table of Apportionments for Classis of North Carolina for the year beginning May, 1924, as handed down by General Synod and adopted by the Classis in special session held in Salisbury, December 6, 1923:

Churches—	*Members*	*Home*	*Miss.*	*Foreign*	*Mis.*
First, Lexington	480	$480	$223.49	$480	$292.87
Pilgrim	275	275	57.12	275	74.85
Beulah	317	317	68.03	317	89.15
Bethany	77	77	12.57	77	16.51
Murphy Memorial	19	19	-- --	19	-- --
Brookford	79	79	9.07	79	11.88
Mt. Zion	290	290	110.72	290	145.14
First, Landis	111	111	50.90	111	66.70
Corinth	374	374	238.86	374	313.01
First, Charlotte	119	119	97.76	119	128.11
St. John's, Kannapolis	95	95	59.21	95	77.57
St. Paul's, Kannapolis	63	63	29.73	63	38.95
Grace, Newton	239	239	150.26	239	196.71
Emanuel, Thomasville	188	188	18.64	188	24.43
Calvary	108	108	10.08	108	13.21
Zion	136	136	10.33	136	13.54
Memorial, Maiden	70	70	49.76	70	65.21
Salem	31	31	16.25	31	21.56
St. Matthew's	82	82	34.49	82	45.20
Heidelberg, Thomasville	145	145	65.54	145	85.85
Hedrick's Grove	103	103	24.74	103	32.42
Mt. Tabor	94	94	12.60	94	16.52
Jerusalem	31	31	7.56	31	9.91
Becks	175	175	17.16	175	22.49
Trinity, Concord	138	138	101.04	138	132.40
First, Burlington	160	160	61.10	160	80.07
St. Luke's	54	54	11.77	54	15.42
Ursinus	119	119	61.00	119	79.93

Bethany, Crescent	58	58	12.83	58	16.81
First, Greensboro	215	215	131.81	215	172.73
First, High Point	167	167	100.91	167	132.23
St. James, Mt. Pleasant	79	79	63.51	79	83.22
Bethel	214	214	115.51	214	151.36
Boger	78	78	14.87	78	19.29
Second, Lexington	132	132	40.33	132	52.85
Emanuel, Lincolnton	66	66	46.71	66	61.08
Daniel's	49	49	83.51	49	30.81
St. Paul's	113	113	29.30	113	38.39
Bethel	79	79	23.25	79	36.46
Grace	85	85	30.01	85	39.33
First, Salisbury	169	169	94.24	169	123.49
Schlatter Memorial	88	88	21.62	88	38.33
First, Waughtown	92	92	27.43	92	35.95
Hebron	91	91	16.02	91	20.99
Bethlehem	43	43	4.53	43	5.93
Zion, Lenoir	55	55	53.99	55	70.75
Mt. Hope, Guilford	115	115	26.69	115	34.98
Brick Church	128	128	7.59	128	9.95
St. Mark's	118	118	32.56	118	42.67
Fairview	11	11	1.28	11	1.68
Shiloh, Faith	120	120	45.35	120	59.43
Grace, Lower Stone	124	124	31.90	124	41.78
Mt. Hope, Faith	69	69	8.39	69	10.99
Smyrna	43	43	10.43	43	13.67
Bethany, Catawba	43	43	5.64	43	7.39
Trinity, Conover	100	100	35.17	100	46.08
New Gilead	120	120	33.35	120	43.70
Keller	56	56	14.15	56	18.54

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(d). The Rebecca Solliday Church Building Fund Committee begs leave to report that the following are the outstanding loans of this fund:

Heidelberg Reformed Church	$ 900.00
First Reformed Church, Charlotte	750.00
Total Loans	$1,650.00

Loans paid during the year:

First Reformed Church, Charlotte	$1,000.00
Schlatter Memorial Reformed Church	400.00
Carried over from last year and interest	540.96
Balance on hand	$1,940.96

Respectfully Submitted,

C. C. WAGONER,
H. A. FESPERMAN.

(e) Your Committee on the Solliday Beneficiary Fund beg leave to make the following report:

There are at present seven young men studying for the ministry under the care of Classis. They are classified as follows:

HEIDELBERG UNIVERSITY

Sidney Safrit ---------- Junior
Hoy L. Fesperman ---------- Senior
Charles E. Hiatt ---------- Senior
Grady Shoffner ---------- Sophomore

FRANKLIN & MARSHALL COLLEGE

Thomas R. Safrit ---------- Senior

URSINUS COLLEGE

John H. Causey ---------- Sophomore

He was unable to continue his work after Nov. 8, 1923, but desires to continue under the care of Classis.

CENTRAL SEMINARY

Harvey Black ---------- Middler

These young men, with the one exception, report satisfactory progress in their work and express their appreciation of aid received.

Your committee would recommend:

1. That since the Solliday Fund has to a certain extent become inoperative, Classis request the Trustees of Catawba College to take action which would authorize the committee to give aid to the amount of $100 to all college students studying for the ministry in Reformed institutions, provided this is found to be in harmony with the spirit and stipulations of the donor of this Fund and is legally possible.

2. Your committee having examined Carey Bostian, who desires to prepare himself that he may go to the Foreign field as a Medical Missionary and finding such examination satisfactory, recommend that he be taken under the care of Classis and that Synod's Board of Beneficiary Education be asked to grant him aid to the extent of $300 per year.

3. We further recommend Sidney Safrit, Grady Shoffner, John H. Causey and Harvey Black to Potomac Synod's Board of Beneficiary Education for the sum of $300 for the next year, and Hoy L. Fesperman, Charles E. Hiatt, and T. R. Safrit for the sum of $250 for the next year.

Respecafully submitted,

C. C. WAGONER,
J. B. LEONARD.

(f) The Trustees of Classis beg leave to report that nothing came into their hands requiring attention this year.

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. WAGONER, Chairman.

(g) We have done our best to secure pastors for vacant charges during the year, with some degree of success as indicated by reports from the several charges. The scarcity of ministers is alarming. There should be a concerted movement in the Classis and in the whole denomination to secure many more students for the ministry. Some of us believe that the time has come when young women should be challenged to choose the Gospel ministry for life-service in the Kingdom. In some way suitable recruits must be secured. Vacant churches and charges always suffer. "Pray ye therefore the Lord of harvest that He will send forth laborers into His harvest." The following charges in Classis are vacant at the present time: Corinth, Hickory; Guilford; Lincolnton; West Hickory; Faith; Catawba.

J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

Your committee on Young People's Societies beg leave to report that we have received statistics from 23 organizations and have carefully examined and compiled the same. We learn from these statistics that there has been a goodly increase in membership during the year, three new societies being organized. While last year's report showed a membership of 869, three hundred and fifty-three of that number were members of the Girls' Missionary Guild and Mission Band, which organizations do not properly come under the report on Young People's Societies. This year we have 750 members, an increase of 234.

The one distressing thing found in the report is the shortage in contributions to both Home and Foreign Missions. We offer the following recommendations:

1. That the attention of pastors and consistories be called to the importance of having their young people organized.
2. That special emphasis be laid upon benevolence, especially in making contributions to Home and Foreign Missions.
3. That the challenge to Life Service be kept constantly before our young people in their meetings, and that the Consecration services be strongly emphasized.

J. C. PEELER.
C. C. WAGONER.

(i) Your committee on Religious Literature being in doubt as to just what is required from them, have done no special work the past year, but notes with pleasure that only four Sunday

Schools in the Classis do not use Reformed literature—four additional Sunday Schools falling in line this year.

We make the following recommendations:

1. That pastors urge upon their congregations the importance of the Church paper in the home and encourage each family to become readers either of the Messenger or Christian World.

2. That in so far as possible Reformed lesson helps be used in all Sunday Schools.

3. That we urge upon our young people the importance of reading good books, that can be purchased through the Publication Board of the Reformed Church, instead of the usual trashy novels found in many of our homes.

H. A. FESPERMAN.

(j) We have cooperated with the Commission on Social Service and Rural Work during the year. The chairman attended the annual meeting of the Commission in Philadelphia, June 28, 1923; also the meeting of the Potomac Synod Committee in October. The general Commission has been reduced to seven members, this action being taken to curtail expenses. Mr. Ralph S. Adams has spent a year of hard work in various sections of the church as Rural Field Worker, and we feel that he will mean much to our rural congregations. The survey is still in progress, but there are still many churches refusing to cooperate in this work. We offer the following recommendations for your consideration:

1. We again urge all rural pastors and consistories, who have not filled out their survey questionaires, to do so at their earliest convenience.

2. Attention is called to the Loan Library Service, at the cost of postage.

3. That consistories consider the advisability of sending their pastors to Summer Schools for Rural Pastors.

4. That we approve of the reduction of the Commission, believing that as great service can be rendered, and the expenses greatly reduced.

5. That we heartily endorse the little publication, "Rural Work," and commend it to all our pastors.

J. C. PEELER, Chairman.

(k) We have cooperated with the Anti-Saloon League wherever possible in upholding the Turlington State law and Volstead Federal Act.

The present day situation calls for the heartiest and most earnest effort of all the members of the church in bringing about obedience to the law. We sincerely trust that every member of the Reformed Church in North Carolina will stand firmly for the

observance of prohibition and will avail themselves of the opportunity both at the primary and general election to have as their representatives in office only those who believe in law enforcement and who will do all in their power to uphold the State and Federal constitutions.

JOHN A KOONS,
D. C. COX.

(l) We have discharged the duties developing upon us during the year in the interest of the Historical Society.

J. C. LEONARD, Chairman.

(m) Your committee on Forward Movement has had no meeting during the year. One meeting was called but there was no attendance of members. The chairman has had a Forward Movement column in the Standard from time to time. The Staff of the Forward Movement has kept in touch with the work through Treasurers and Pastors. We would recommend:

1. That each Consistory be requested to hold a meeting in the interest of the Forward Movement and take action in harmony with suggestions in Bulletin 31 prior to June 30, 1924.
2. That a Forward Movement Column be continued in the Standard by the Chairman of the Committee, also that the Chairman have at least one page in the issue of June 1st, articles contributed by Ministers and Laity of the Classis.
3. That Classis appoint a permanent committee on Forward Movement and that this Committee number 5 members, one each from the five groups.
4. That Classis through the committee urge all churches to pay in full their subscriptions by June 30, 1925.

W. C. LYERLY,
J. T. HEDRICK,
W. R. WEAVER,
B. S. SHUFORD.

2. Your committee of one begs leave to report that he has looked after the Hopewell interest during the year.

O. B. MICHAEL.

3. As informant to General Synod's Board of Ministerial Relief, I beg leave to report that I have kept in touch with the Board during the year. The Board has been very considerate of our aged ministers and widows of ministers, and in every case has granted our request for assistance for such cases. It pains me to report that we have greviously failed in paying our appor-

tionment for this worthy cause. Pastors and people should give prayerful consideration to this important subject and see that in the coming year every congregation be given the chance to contribute its share.

J. C. LEONARD, Informant.

4. The duties assigned as Press Agent have been attended to in part. The Press of the State generally print all that is sent to them. Some agent should be appointed by this Classis.

W. C. LYERLY, Press Agent.

Expenses for postage and supplies $2.00

5. The Reformed Church Standard was issued twice each month during the year. The cost of printing and mailing for that period was $706.54.

C. C. WAGONER, Editor and Bus. Mgr.

6. Your committee on the Guilford Charge report that conditions remain very much as they were at the last meeting of Classis. Services have been held regularly in the Charge during the year.

H. A. FESPERMAN,
MILTON WHITENER.

7. Your Treasurer, to whom was committed the completing of the Bethel Church matter would report that there has come into his hands during the year, principal and interest, the amount of $3,611.72. Of this amount $1,500 was sent to First Reformed Church, Waughtown, as instructed by Classis, $2.100 was applied to the debt of Classis, and $11.72 remains in the hands of the Treasurer, and is carried in the Contingent Fund. The final payment on the Bethel property was made by the purchasers in January of this year. The matter, therefore, is completed according to your instructions.

MILTON WHITENER, Treasurer.

ARTICLE XI.

OVERTURES

1. Request for sustentation of $300 from Gilead Charge.

We recommend that this be referred to the Committee on Missions.

2. The Summer Missionary Conference Committee overtures Classis to request all congregations through the Corresponding Secretary to send representatives from all organizations to the

Conference, and that all churches be closed on Conference Sunday.

We recommned that the request be granted.

3. Request from Revs. A. Shulenberger, John Ingle, M. L. Hedrick, J. H. Shuford, P. Barringer, H. G. Kopenhaver, and J. H. Keller to be excused from this year's meeting of Classis.

We recommend that the request be granted.

4. Notice of reception of Rev. W. H. Causey by Virginia Classis, Potomac Synod.

We recommend the adoption of the item.

5. A letter of thanks from the Rockwell Charge and a request for $400 sustentation for the ensuing year.

We recommend that this be referred to the committee on Missions.

6. Notice of reception of Rev. A. D. Wolfinger, D. D., by Eastern Ohio Classis, Ohio Synod.

We recommend the adoption of the item.

7. Joint request of Rev. B. J. Peeler and Lincolnton Charge for dissolution of the pastoral relationship.

We recommend that the pastoral relation be dissolved and the charge declared vacant.

8. A call to Rev. B. J. Peeler from the First Church, Salisbury, and joint request for Classis to confirm the same.

We recommend that the call be confirmed and a committee be appointed by Classis to install the pastor.

9. A call to Rev. A. S. Peeler from the Lower Davidson Charge and a joint request for Classis to confirm same.

We recommend that the call be confirmed and a committee be appointed by Classis to install the pastor.

10. A request from the Daniel's congregation to be separated from the Lincoln charge and to be attached to the South Fork Charge.

We recommend that the request be granted.

11. An invitation to the ministers of Classis to attend the Third Summer School of Theology to be held July 7-18 in the Seminary at Lancaster.

We recommend this to the consideration of our pastors.

12. A request from Burlington Reformed Church through the Consistory to Classis for permission to change the name of the church to First Reformed Church of Burlington.

We recommend that the request be granted.

13. Request from Burlington Reformed Church with refer-

ence to a bequest of Miss Annie Foust of $300 for upkeep of Stoner's cemetery.

We recommend that the request be granted.

14. Invitations for the next annual meeting of Classis from,

(a) St. Matthews, Lincoln Charge.
(b) Hedrick's Grove, Lower Davidson Charge.
(c) Schlatter Memorial, Winston-Salem.
(d) "Lower Stone"—Grace Church, Faith Charge.

We recommend that we proceed to select time and place for the next annual meeting.

15. Overture from Hedrick's Grove Church asking for a donation of $500 to aid them in the finishing of their church.

We recommend reference to the committee on Missions.

16. Overture for the organization of a congregation at Alamance Mills.

We recommend that this matter be placed in the hands of the committee of supply for the Guilford Charge.

17. Overture from the Brick Church Memorial Association with reference to erecting a suitable memorial to commemorate the organization of Classis.

We recommend that a committee be appointed to cooperate with the local committee.

C. C. WAGONER,
B. J. PEELER,
D. T. PEELER.

Revs. H. A. M. Holshouser, C. W. Warlick and Elder A. W. Moose were appointed to install Rev. B. J. Peeler pastor of the First Reformed Church of Salisbury.

Revs. J. A. Palmer, J. C. Leonard and Elder C. S. Long were appointed to install Rev. A. S. Peeler pastor of the Lower Davidson Charge.

In the adoption of item 10 Classis conformed to the Constitutional requirement of Article 86.

In the adoption of item 13 Classis assigned to the Consistory of the First Reformed Church of Burlington all rights of the Classis of North Carolina in the Stoner's Church property in Alamance County.

Under Item 14 Grace (Lower Stone) Reformed Church, of the Faith Charge, Rockwell, N. C., was selected as the place of the next annual meeting of Classis, and Tuesday, May 5, 1925, at 8 o'clock p. m., as the time.

Under item 17 Revs. J. C. Leonard, J. D. Andrew and Elder E. R. Everhart were appointed a committee to cooperate with the Brick Church Memorial Association.

ARTICLE XII.

DELEGATES TO POTOMAC SYNOD

All the ministers and an elder from each pastoral charge constitute the delegates to Synod, which meets in general convention.

ARTICLE XIII.

MINUTES OF POTOMAC SYNOD

1. Page 5. The following members attended the meeting of Synod held in Frederick, Md., Oct. 22-25, 1923: Revs. J. C. Leonard, D. D., W. H. McNairy, J. H. Keller, W. W. Rowe, Shuford Peeler, L. A. Peeler, C. C. Wagoner, J. A. Koons, J. A. Palmer, J. C. Peeler, W. C. Lyerly, H. A. Fesperman, Milton Whitener, C. W. Warlick, A. O. Leonard, B. J. Peeler, J. D. Maeder; Elders C. C. Bost, J. T. Hedrick, A. A. Blackwelder.

2. Page 11. Synod urges prompt remittance of contingent monies.

3. Page 19. Synod's request as to Temperance resolution.

4. Page 23. Synod requests through its Historical Committee that all the Classes accept their quota of apportionment for the Historical Society. We note with interest that the North Carolina Classis has sent in complete data, being the only Classis in the Synod to do so.

5. Page 37. Synod's Committee on Vacancy and Supply asks the cooperation of similar classical committees.

6. Page 39. Synod requests through its Committee on Social Service and Rural Church:

(a) That the attention of pastors and consistories be called to the deliverance of General Synod on the Problem of Recreation.

(b) That the attention of Classis be called to the Summer School at Lancaster, and that they be urged to cooperate in securing as large representation as possible.

(c) That the attention of pastors and consistories be called to an illustrated lecture on Rural Church Work, now available.

7. Page 44. Requests made by the Board of Christian Education of General Synod, through the District Synods to Classis and congregations:

(a) Calling the attention of pastors and congregations to the great importance of giving religious supervision to the young people of the Reformed Church in non-Reformed schools, and

that pastors send the names of all such to Rev. O. B. Moor, Indianapolis, Ind.

(b) Requests the observance of Educational Sunday, on the third Sunday in May, and a special offering for this Board whenever it is feasible.

8. Pages 86, 87. Synod's request concerning Missions:

(a) Attention is called to the increased apportionment for Missions in order that the Boards may be better able to execute their plans for a larger work.

(b) The importance of stressing Stewardship of Possessions, and of keeping Christian benevolence constantly before our people, in an earnest effort to secure the payment in full of the new apportionment.

(c) The attention of Classis is called to the new method of apportionment approved by General Synod, based upon both a "per capita," and a "willingness and ability" basis.

9. Page 92. Action concerning Publication and Sunday School Board:

(a) That the Schaff Building be commended to the members of the church as a worthy object of benevolence.

(b) That the Classis cooperate in the matter of Religious Education.

(c) Congregations are challenged to send their young people to Institute and Training Schools for the purpose of developing leadership in the local congregation.

(d) Pastors and consistories are urged to support the Publication and Sunday School Board by purchasing their books and supplies from the Board.

(e) Requests for the cooperation of the Classical Sunday School Committee, and the observance of Children's Day and Rally Day, with freewill offerings for the work of the Board.

10. Page 105. Concerning Ministerial Relief:

Individuals are urged to invest in Ministerial Memorial Funds and Annuity Bonds so that the work may be promoted and enlarged.

11. Page 111. Amounts sent down for apportionment: Historical Society $13; Synodical contingent $243; General Synod contingent $319; Beneficiary Education $1,488; Ministerial Sustentation $271; Theological Seminary $745; American Bible Society $104.

12. Page 112. Young People's Societies:

(a) Attention is called to the small enrollment of our young

people, and pastors and congregations are urged to renew their efforts in the organization of societies.

(b) Congregations are urged to observe Young People's Day in October, using the special program prepared for the occasion.

13. Page 121. The following were nominated for Trustees of Catawba College: John W. Peeler, C. M. Rowe, Rev. H. L. G. Kieffer, D. D., John L. Gerber, G. A. Fisher, L. A. Corriher.

14. Synod will meet Monday evening, October 20, A. D. 1924, at 8 o'clock. The place is yet to be named.

J. C. PEELER,
J. D. MAEDER,
A. A. BLACKWELDER.

Classis approved of the several recommendations of Synod. In connection with this report the following action was taken:

Resolved, That the Classis of North Carolina requests the Synod of the Potomac to change the time of the annual meeting from Monday, October 20th, to Tuesday, October 21, 1924, at 8 o'clock p. m., to avoid Sabbath day travel by delegates from this Classis.

ARTICLE XIV.

MISSIONS

The following papers have come into our hands: 1. The report of the Board of Home Missions. 2. The report of the Board of Foreign Missions. 3. Commission on Spiritual Resources and Evangelism. 4. Overture from the Joint Consistory of the Gilead Charge for $300 Sustentation. 5. Overture from the Joint Consistory of the Rockwell Charge for $400 Sustentation. 6. Request from Hedrick's Grove Church for a donation of $500 towards completing their church.

On the basis of the facts contained in these reports we make the following notes and recommendations:

1. We note that there are 200 Missions on our roll, not including those under the care of the Tri-Synodic Board. During the past year six of these went to self-support, two were dropped, one of these referred back to its Classis, the other taken care of by rearrangement of charges. We urge that the Missions on our roll make more rapid progress towards self-support.

2. We note during the year 30 church building funds, amounting to $229,182.82. Only one new Mission Church was undertaken this year. We recommend the payment in full of all Forward Movement pledges that the Board may be enabled to carry out its full program.

3. We note that we have 52 Hungarian churches, all of which with the exception of 4, receive help from the Board. There are 16 Hungarian students in our institutions. There are three students in the Central Theological Seminary preparing for the ministry.

4. Summer Conferences have been arranged, and we especially urge that co-operation be given that our Conferences may be a greater success than ever before for this coming year.

5. Home Mission Day will again be observed on the second Sunday in November. The offering will be used in our work on the Pacific coast. We recommend that larger contributions be made than heretofore.

6. We note that the awful earthquake and the destructive fire of September 1, 1923, seriously affected our work in the Tokyo district. The church there must be replaced. This calls for larger contributions for Foreign Missions.

7. We note with pleasure a decided turning on the part of the Chinese people toward the Church of Jesus Christ. Our responsibility in the work there is increasing. We are occupying only a part of the field assigned us. We recommend large offerings be made on Foreign Mission Day.

8. We note with gratifying interest the deep impression made by the Spiritual and Evangelistic Conference the past year at Salisbury and at other parts of the Church. We recommend that a permanent Committee on Evangelism be appointed.

9 and 10. Requests from the Joint Consistory of the Gilead Charge for $300 towards pastoral support, and from the Joint Consistory of the Rockwell Charge for $400 pastoral support.

We recommend the following action:

Resolved, That we appropriate the sum of $300 to each of the following charges: Gilead, Rockwell and Catawba; that we request Synod's Board of Ministerial Sustentation to supplement the salary in the Catawba Charge with a grant of $300; that we request the Board of Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home to supplement the salary of the pastor of the Rockwell Charge in view of his services to the children of the Orphans' Home; that these several sums are available on condition that the Gilead Charge pay to pastoral support at least $900, Rockwell Charge $1200, and Catawba Charge $900.

11. Request of Hedrick's Grove Church for $500 towards completing their new church building.

We recommend that the request be granted, the Treasurer of Classis to borrow the money, the congregation to pay the interest on same until the amount shall have been raised through apportionment.

H. A. M. HOLSHOUSER,
SHUFORD PEELER,
J. T. HEDRICK.

ARTICLE XV.

NOMINATIONS

1. Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home—J. T. Plott, Rev. W. C. Lyerly, Rev. C. C. Wagoner.

2. Auxiliary Board—Mrs. G. C. Fisher, Mrs. C. M. Rowe, Mrs. J. F. Troxler.

3. Mrs. Rebecca Solliday Church Building Fund—J. B. Leonard.

4. George G. Solliday Beneficiary Education Fund—Rev. H. A. Fesperman, Rev. B. J. Peeler, L. J. Shive.

5. Missionary and Stewardship Committee—Rev. H. A. Fesperman, Rev. J. A. Koons, Rev. L. A. Peeler, Edgar Whitener, A. A. Blackwelder.

6. Treasurer of Classis—Rev. Milton Whitener.

7. Reformed Church Standard—Rev. C. C. Wagoner, Editor-in-chief; Revs. J. C. Peeler, B. J. Peeler, A. O. Leonard, associate editors.

J. D. ANDREW,
SHUFORD PEELER.

ARTICLE XVI.

STATE OF THE CHURCH

The Committee on the State of the Church beg leave to report that the statistics have been tabulated and the parochial reports have been carefully and prayerfully read.

The reports are replete with gratitude to Almighty God for His manifold mercies and favors. At times there was the expression of regret that the desired goals have not been reached, but on the whole the tone of optimism is regnant.

Our hearts are filled with joy when we read that an increase in communicants has been ours, but are saddened because by erasure so many have been lost to the Reformed Church but we trust not to the Kingdom.

We regret to report a decrease in the columns of total benevolence but rejoice to state that a considerable increase was made for congregational purposes.

Progress was reported in the Sunday Schools and Young People's Societies. One congregation is to have a full time director of Young People's Work for the summer. Miss Mildred Suther of Trinity, Concord, has offered her services to the Board of Foreign Missions as a missionary stenographer and bookkeeper.

Temporal progress is manifest when we note that Emanuel Church, Lincolnton, has been dedicated; the debt paid on Beulah

Church; St. James, Mt. Pleasant, recently held their first service in their new edifice; Shiloh, Faith Charge, hopes to complete their new rock church during the present Classical year. Zion, Lenoir, having purchased the Baptist property, have been worshipping in their new church home since January 1st. To Bethany, Rockwell Charge, and Smyrna, Catawba Charge, new Sunday School rooms have been added. St. Mark's, erected two years ago, and in which edifice it is our privilege to hold this 94th annual session of Classis, has been painted during the past year. Minor improvements have been made at Schlatter Memorial, Burlington, and St. Luke's. First Church, Lexington, has purchased a lot on which they hope in the near future to erect a manse. Trinity, Concord, and Ursinus, Rockwell, have launched new building projects, and, no preventing Providence, will be worshipping in their new church homes by Autumn.

Three of our elders, Philip Elcaney Campbell, Joseph Fides Herman, and John Coulter Warlick have been called from the church militant to the church triumphant. Much could be written concerning the lives of these good men who were elders in the full meaning of the word.

We note the many vacancies and prayerfully ask the Lord of the harvest that He may send labors into the field. That during the coming year, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, may the stakes of God's Kingdom be strengthened and the cords lengthened is the fervent prayer of your committee.

JOHN A. KOONS,
C. S. LONG.

ARTICLE XVII.

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING

The next annual meeting of the Classis will be held in Grace (Lower Stone) Reformed Church, Faith Charge, Rockwell, N. C., Tuesday evening, May 5, 1925, at 8 o'clock.

ARTICLE XVIII.

EDUCATION

Report of the Trustees of Catawba College

Since our last meeting, many and vital changes have come to Catawba College. First was the order of your board to discontinue school work for one year, caused, as you know, by our inability to longer conduct a school with the deficit mounting higher each year. This year is now up, and some provision must be made soon for either the resumption of work or the continuing of the order to close. Second in importance, we think, was purchasing

of the property at Salisbury, N. C., and the disposal of our property at Newton.

Although this sale is not yet complete, and it may be that it will not go through as planned, it will be of interest for you to know that the Old Catawba College property was sold to the Asheville Universities, Inc. The Treasurer's report will cover this item fully.

Our efforts during the year, therefore, have been devoted almost entirely to the question of finance. Rev. Shuford Peeler has been working in North Carolina, and Rev. J. H. Keller in the Potomac Synod, north. We are pleased to hand you herewith their report in condensed form up to May 1st, 1924:

Pledged in N. C. Classis	$102,000	
Pledged in Salisbury	7,000	$109,000
Promised in N. C. Classis		27,000
		$136,000
Pledged and promised in the Potomac Synod, north	$ 38,920	
Promised in Potomac Synod, north	5,000	$ 43,920
		$179,920

In view of this splendid showing, I recommend the immediate completion of the campaign in North Carolina, and as soon as expedient, the resumption of a vigorous campaign in the north to complete the raising of the amount needed to make our endowment $400,000 as planned in this campaign.

I also urge the Classis to continue to apportion 25 cents per member for the benefit of Catawba College as heretofore.

In conclusion, I would like to suggest that you lay plans for the finishing up of the Building at Salisbury, and the resumption of school work there in the fall of 1925.

Respectfully submitted,

EDGAR WHITENER,

Chairman of Board of Trustees Catawba College.

REPORT OF THE TWO TREASURERS OF CATAWBA COLLEGE

To the Board of Trustees of Catawba College:

I herewith submit my report as treasurer of Catawba College from May 19th to Nov. 24th, 1923:

Receipts:

To Cash on hand May 19, 1923		$ 926.69
" College Bills		1,833.24
" Interest		1,300.53
" Catawba League		115.00

"	Notes and Securities	30,176.36
"	Gifts	665.00
"	Forward Movement	1,156.00
"	Piano Fund	21.00
"	Solliday Fund	260.81
"	Sale of Books	63.06
"	Rent, Dr. Foil House	33.34
		$36,551.03

Disbursements:

By Cash	Labor	$ 166.35
"	Salaries and Traveling Expenses	9,485.81
"	Provisions	6,953.09
"	Advertising and Printing	444.41
"	Interest	236.32
"	Laundry	9.25
"	Building and Loan, interest and principal	256.62
"	Telephone	12.20
"	Postage and Telegraph	6.54
"	Supplies	1,743.94
"	Salisbury Building	500.00
"	Notes Paid	8,746.56
"	Books	130.58
"	Lights and Water	256.88
"	Fuel	400.29
"	Traveling Expense Ministerial Students	182.62
"	Insurance	187.97
"	Library	4.50
"	Paving Street	5,633.14
"	Cash on hand Nov. 24th, 1923	1,193.96
		$36,551.03

I respectfully submit this report together with statement of all funds that have come into my hands since May 19th, 1923, and also statement of all notes and securities collected since June 5th, 1923.

Respectfully,

CLARENCE CLAPP, Treasurer.

G. G. SOLLIDAY FUND

To Cash on hand May 19, 1923	$ 260.81		
By Cash to General Fund		$	260.81

REBECCA SOLLIDAY CHURCH BUILDING FUND

To Cash on hand May 19, 1923	$ 483.63	
To Interest	24.00	
Cash on hand Nov. 24, 1923		$ 507.63
	$ 507.63	$ 507.63

EMANUEL PONTIUS PRES. HOME BLDG. FUND

To cash on hand May 19, 1923	$ 104.66	
To Interest	35.54	
By loan		$ 100.00
Cash on hand Nov. 24, 1923		40.20
	$ 140.20	$ 140.20

LIBRARY ENDOWMENT FUND

To Cash on hand May 19, 1923	$ 15.00	
To interest	13.44	
By Cash to General Fund		$ 15.00
Cash on hand Nov. 24, 1923		13.44
	$ 28.44	$ 28.44

FORWARD MOVEMENT FUNDS

To cash on hand May 19, 1923	$ 1,131.30	
To cash rec'd as per H. E. Paisley's receipts	1,875.00	
By cash to General Fund		$ 1,156.00
By loan		1,050.00
By cash on hand Nov. 24, 1923		800.30
	$ 3,006.30	$ 3,006.30

To the Board of Trustees of Catawba College:

I herewith submit my report as Treasurer of Catawba College from November 24th, 1923 to May 1st, 1924:

Receipts:

Cash on hand Nov. 24, 1923, from former Treasurer General Fund	$ 1,193.96
Rebecca Solliday Church Building Fund	507.63
Library Endowment Fund	13.44
Emanuel Pontius Pres. Home Building Fund	40.20
Forward Movement Funds	800.30
Cash received D. M. Carpenter Note	1,200.00
Received on Bills receivable	9,435.00
Received from H. E. Paisley, Treasurer	2,575.00
Received from Home Mission Board	5,000.00

Received interest	1,320.21
Received interest—Rebecca Solliday Church Bldg. Fund	33.33
Received on principal Rebecca Solliday Church Bldg. Fund	1,400.00
Received Salisbury New Building	178.64
	$23,697.71

Disbursements:

Bills Receivable	$17,500.00
Citizens Building & Loan Note	2,700.00
Rev. J. H. Keller	543.24
Paid out on Citizens Building & Loan Stock	164.10
Books and Printing	6.50
Note and Interest Anna M. Sheleigh	1,432.00
Theodore Presser Co. (old account)	68.60
Salisbury Building Interest	947.50
Stationery Bill (old account)	61.42
Cash on hand	274.35
	$23,697.71

G. G. SOLLIDAY INTEREST ACCOUNT

Cash on hand May 1923	$ 260.81
Interest received on Solliday Endowment	1,200.00
	$ 1,460.81

REBECCA SOLLIDAY CHURCH BUILDING FUND

Cash on hand May 1923	$ 483.63
Interest on note First Reformed Church, Charlotte, N. C.	33.33
Interest on notes	24.00
Note Paid First Reformed Church, Charlotte, N. C.	1,000.00
Note Paid Schlatter Memorial Church, Winston-Salem, N. C.	400.00
Cash on hand May 1st, 1924	$ 1,940.96
Heidelberg Reformed Church, Thomasville, N. C.	900.00
First Reformed Church, Charlotte, N. C.	750.00
	$ 3,590.96

EMANUEL PONTIUS PRES. HOME BUILDING FUND

Cash on hand May 1923	$ 104.66
Interest Collected	35.54

	140.20
Loan	100.00
Cash on hand May 1st, 1924	40.20
Total Loan	833.00
	$ 873.20

LIBRARY FUND

Cash on hand May, 1923	$ 15.00
Interest	13.44
Library Endowment	1,500.00
	$ 1,528.44

FORWARD MOVEMENT FUND AND ACCOUNT

Report for Year 1923-1924

Cash on hand May 1923	$ 1,131.30
Loaned above balance	1,131.30
Received from Home Mission Board Note	5,000.00
Received from H. E. Paisley, Treasurer	4,450.00

CONSOLIDATED REPORT FORWARD MOVEMENT FUNDS

Previously Received from H. E. Paisley, Treasurer	$21,216.67
Previously Received from Home Mission Board	32,357.27
	$63,023.94

REPORT OF TREASURER OF CATAWBA COLLEGE

As of May 1st, 1924

G. G. Solliday Endowment	$ 20,000.00
G. G. Solliday Interest Fund	1,460.81
Rebecca Solliday Church Building Fund	3,590.96
Alumni Endowment	13,689.00
General Endowment	17,000.00
Emanuel Pontius Home Building Fund	873.20
Library Endowment	1,528.44
Forward Movement Fund	63,023.94
Bills Payable	32,500.00
	$153,666.35

Invested as follows:

Home Mission Board Notes	$ 20,000.00
First Real Estate Mortgage and Notes	26,179.66
Citizens Building & Loan Stock	2,164.10
Salisbury Building	46,818.60
Town of Newton Bond	500.00
Liberty Bond, U. S. Government	50.00
Rebecca Solliday Church Building Fund Notes	1,650.00
Catawba College Building (Newton)	56,029.64
Cash on hand	274.35
	$153,666.35

I respectfully submit this report with statement of all funds that have come into my hands since November 24th, 1923.

Respectfully,

G. A. FISHER, Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

The report of the Board of Trustees of Catawba College has come into our hands; and we have gleaned the following facts from the minutes of the Trustee Meetings and of Classis: On June 25th Dr. A. D. Wolfinger resigned as President of the College to take effect Sept. 30th, 1923. On July 13th the Trustees decided to suspend class-room work at Catawba College for one year, which action was endorsed by Classis on the same date. As per instruction of Classis, the Trustees further took action on the same date to purchase the property of the Salisbury Normal and Industrial Institute at Salisbury and appointed a committee to dispose of the Newton property. On August 7th the committee on Buildings and Grounds leased the Newton property to Asheville University. On November 28th the Trustees took action to sell the Newton property to Asheville University and terms of sale were accepted by the President of said Asheville University. On Nov. 28th C. M. Rowe resigned as President of the Board and Edgar Whitener was elected to succeed him. On the same date Dr. Clarence Clapp resigned as Treasurer and G. A. Fisher was elected to succeed him. On December 6th Classis accepted the resignation of George Moose and Rev. W. W. Rowe as Trustees and elected J. P. Linn and Dr. J. C. Leonard to succeed them. On July 13th, 1923, action was taken to raise $400,000.00 endowment for the College and a canvass was launched within the bounds of Classis, the same to be conducted during the month of September. Rev. Shuford Peeler was elected to finish this canvass within the bounds of Classis and Rev. J. H. Keller to solicit funds for the endowment in the North.

We heartily commend the Trustees for every forward step that has been taken during the year; but we regret to learn that no plans have been made for the immediate completion of the Salisbury Building and the opening of the College this year.

Classis wishes to reiterate its action of one year ago that only an A grade Institution will meet our needs and its instruction to the Board of Trustees to proceed to lay such plans as necessary to make Catawba College an A grade Institution; but Classis is mindful that other things besides endowment, such as faculty, students, equipment in buildings, laboratory, library, etc., are necessary for the attainment of that goal. We realize, therefore, that if every cent of the endowment was in possession of the College at the present time, it would be practically impossible to open the Institution with an A grade rating.

Your committee, therefore, presents the following for your consideration and adoption:

1. That Classis advises the Board of Trustees to hasten the completion of the $400,000.00 endowment within the bounds of Classis, in Salisbury and throughout the Church by the sending out of such additional workers as are necessary.

2. That Classis advises the Trustees to resume collegiate work by the opening of Catawba College in Salisbury in September, 1925.

3. Classis advises the Board of Trustees to proceed at once to the selection of a Dean or President who shall begin work at the earliest possible date.

4. Classis advises that the unused portion of interest received on the G. G. Solliday Endowment Fund be applied to the Rebecca Solliday Church Building Fund as per instructions provided for in the will.

5. That Classis apportion 43 cents per member for Catawba College and that the same be placed in the contingent column.

6. That Classis hereby calls upon all our people to cooperate with the Board of Trustees in carrying out above instructions and the working out of such other plans as may be deemed necessary for a greater Catawba College, looking forward to the time within the next few years when our College may be an A grade Institution and take her place along with the other Christian Colleges of the State in the education of the youth of our land.

L. A. PEELER,
H. A. FESPERMAN,
EDGAR WHITENER.

ARTICLE XIX.

FINANCE

TREASURER'S REPORT—Receipts

CONGREGATION	APPORTIONMENT										SPECIAL			
	Classical Contingent	Synodical Contingent	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Ministerial Relief	Beneficiary Education	Publication and S. S.	Theological Seminary	Ministerial Sustentation	Catawba College	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphans' Home	Relief
Balance	$1,417.19	$ 191.48	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
Burlington	73.60	8.00	128.00	128.00	24.00	33.60	16.00	16.80	5.60	40.00				
Mt. Hope	52.90	5.75	20.00	20.00	4.27	10.00				20.00				
Brick	58.88	6.40	10.00	5.00	4.00	5.72				10.00				
St. Mark's	54.28	5.90	25.00	20.00	5.00	5.64				15.00				
Fairview														
Greensboro	98.90	10.75	172.00	172.00	32.25	45.15	21.50	22.58	7.53	53.75		21.45	455.71	
High Point	76.82	8.35	133.60	133.60	25.05	35.07	16.70	17.54	5.85	41.75			147.18	
Thomasville	66.70	7.25	116.00	116.00	21.75	30.45	14.50	15.23	5.08	36.25	14.55	10.08		
Emanuel	86.48	9.40		1.90	12.30					13.05			36.01	10.00
Calvary	49.68	5.40											55.87	1.60
Zion	12.20	6.80											23.12	
Pilgrim	126.50	13.75	100.00	135.47						68.75				
Beulah	145.82	15.85		5.00										
Bethany	35.42	3.85	.73	6.00						19.25				
First, Lexington	220.80	24.00	384.00	384.00	72.00	100.80	48.00	50.40	16.80	120.00	8.00		398.93	35.60
Second, Lexington	60.72	6.60	105.60	105.60	19.80	27.72	13.20	13.86	4.62	33.00		10.90	69.52	
Hedrick's Grove	46.92	5.10								.51				
Beck's	80.50	8.75					3.50						34.55	
Mt. Tabor	43.24	4.70												
Jerusalem	29.92	3.10								.98				
Schlatter Memorial	40.48	4.40	70.40	70.40	13.20	18.48	8.80	9.24	3.08	22.00				
Waughtown	42.32	4.60	73.60	73.60	13.80	19.32	9.20	9.66	3.22	23.00				
Bethlehem	19.78	2.15												
Hebron	41.86	4.55	20.00	20.00		3.59				10.00				
Salisbury	77.74	8.45	135.20	135.20	25.35	35.49	16.90	17.74	5.92	42.25				
Ursinus	54.74	5.95	95.20	95.20	17.85	24.99	11.90	12.50	4.17	29.75				
Bethany, Rockwell	26.68	2.90	29.50	29.21	5.00	12.18	3.00		2.03	14.50				
St. Luke's	24.84	2.70	31.12	26.51	8.10	11.34			1.89	13.50				
Shiloh	55.20	6.00	13.85	13.85			8.03							
Grace, Faith	57.04	6.20	80.76	75.00	10.00	26.04	8.00		2.96	31.00				
Mt. Hope, Faith	31.74	3.45				4.81				10.00				
Mt. Zion	133.40	14.50	232.00	697.88	43.50	60.90	29.00	30.45	10.15	72.50		27.61		
Landis	51.06	5.55	88.80	267.12	16.65	23.31	11.10	11.65	3.89	27.75				

TREASURER'S REPORT—Receipts

CONGREGATION	APPORTIONMENT										SPECIAL			
	Classical Contingent	Synodical Contingent	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Ministerial Relief	Beneficiary Education	Publication and S. S.	Theological Seminary	Ministerial Sustentation	Catawba College	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphans' Home	Relief
Kannapolis	43.70	4.75	76.00	76.00	14.25	19.95	9.50	9.97	3.33	23.75				
St. Paul's	31.28	3.40	54.40	54.40	10.20	14.28	6.80	7.14	2.38	17.00				
Concord	63.48	6.90	70.50	70.49	10.00	10.00	13.80		4.83	10.00				12.74
New Gilead	55.20	6.00	20.00											
Keller	25.76	2.80								.73				
Mt. Pleasant	36.34	3.95	63.20	63.20	11.85	16.59	7.90	8.29	2.77	19.75				
Bethel, Bear Creek	98.44	10.70	171.20	171.20	10.00	25.00	10.00		3.46	37.00				
Boger	35.88	3.90	15.00	15.00		5.22								
Charlotte	54.74	5.95	95.20	95.20	17.85	24.99	17.36	12.50	4.16	29.75	22.74	5.63	67.60	39.50
Lincolnton	30.36	3.30	52.80	52.80	9.90	13.86	6.60	6.93	2.31	16.50		26.92		
Daniel's	22.54	2.45	39.20	39.20	7.35	10.29	9.60	5.14	1.72	12.25				
Maiden	32.20	3.50	56.00	56.00	10.50	14.70	7.00	7.35	2.45	17.50				
St. Matthew's	37.72	4.10	65.60	65.60	12.30	17.22	8.20	8.61	2.87	20.50				
Salem	14.26	1.55	24.80	24.80	4.65	6.51	3.10	3.25	1.09	7.75				
Newton	109.94	11.95	191.20	191.20	35.85	50.19	23.90	25.10	8.37	69.75	30.51			
Conover	46.00	5.00	14.00	14.00		21.00								
Smyrna	23.65	2.15	10.20			4.00								
Bethany														
St. Paul's	51.98	5.65	20.00	15.00		7.37							5.01	
Grace	39.10	4.25	46.63	12.63		10.00							8.12	
Bethel	36.34	3.95	24.20										12.65	
Hickory	172.04	18.70	299.20	1,039.20	56.10	78.54	57.04	39.27	13.09	93.50				
West Hickory														
Brookford	52.64	3.95	14.41											
Lenoir	25.30	2.75	44.00	44.00	8.25	11.55	5.50	5.77	1.93	13.75	35.60		48.50	50.00
Hedrick's Grove (interest)	60.00													
Shiloh, Faith (interest)	45.00													
Winston-Salem (interest)	36.00													
Wachovia Bank (interest)	46.39													
Bal. Standard Treas.	55.24													
Bethel Church Fund	3,611.72													
Borrowed	500.00													
Total	$8,987.59	$ 544.18	$3,533.10	$4,836.47	$ 592.92	$ 895.86	$ 425.63	$ 366.97	$ 137.55	$1,148.02	$ 80.89	$ 102.59	$1,362.77	$ 179.96

NOTE: Fairview congregation paid apportionments in full and St. Mark's paid $35.60 after Treasurer's books were closed.

TREASURER'S REPORT—DISBURSEMENTS

Classical Contingent:		
Printing of Standard	$ 706.54	
Editor of Standard, salary	50.00	
Stated Clerk, salary and expenses	111.50	
Treasurer, salary, 1923-1924	100.00	
L. A. Welch, stationery	2.50	
Missionary and Stewardship Committee, expenses	6.21	
Sunday School Committee, expenses	3.50	
Executive Committee of Classis, expenses	11.25	
First Church, Charlotte, use of church	10.00	
I. M. Beaver, Minutes of Classis	359.63	
Treasurer of Synod, apportionment for Historical Society	13.00	
Treasurer of Synod, apportionment for Ministerial Sustentation, 1922-1923	104.00	
Board of Ministerial Relief, premiums in Sustentation Department	605.99	
Rev. H. A. M. Holshouser, Sustentation	300.00	
Rev. J. D. Maeder, sustentation	235.00	
Interest on loans	160.00	
First Reformed Church, Waughtown, Church Building Fund	1,500.00	
Beulah Reformed Church, Church Building Fund	500.00	
Paid on Indebtedness of Classis	2,800.00	
		$ 7,579.12
Home Missions—		
J. S. Wise, Treasurer	$ 3,533.10	
Home Missions, Special—		
J. S. Wise, Treasurer	80.89	
Foreign Missions—		
Dr. A. R. Bartholomew, Secretary	4,831.54	
Overdraft, 1923	4.93	
Foreign Missions, Special—		
Dr. A. R. Bartholomew, Secretary	102.59	
Ministerial Relief—		
Rev. E. L. McLean, Treasurer	592.92	
Beneficiary Education—		
Rev. E. R. Deatrick, Treasurer	895.86	
Publication and S. S.—		
C. O. Althouse, Treasurer	425.63	
Theological Seminary—		
J. Travers Thomas, Treas. of Synod	366.97	

Potomac Synod Contingent—		
J. Travers Thomas, Treas. of Synod	215.00	
General Synod Contingent—		
J. Travers Thomas, Treas of Synod	116.62	
Catawba College—		
Geo. A Fisher, Treasurer	1,148.02	
Nazareth Orphans' Home—		
Geo. H. Moose, Treasurer	1,362.77	
Japanese Relief—		
Dr. A. R. Bartholomew, Secretary	159.96	
Near East Relief—		
Cleveland H. Dodge, Treasurer	20.00	
Ministerial Sustentation—		
J. Travers Thomas, Treas. of Synod	137.55	
		$13,994.35

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

	Received	*Paid Out*	*Bal. in Treas.*
Classical Contingent	$ 8,987.59	$ 7,579.12	$ 1,408.47
Synodical Contingent	544.18	331.62	212.56
Home Missions	3,533.10	3,533.10	
Foreign Missions	4,836.47	4,836.47	
Ministerial Relief	592.92	592.92	
Beneficiary Education	895.86	895.86	
Publication and S. S.	425.63	425.63	
Theological Seminary	366.97	366.97	
Catawba College	1,148.02	1,148.02	
Nazareth Orphan's Home	1,362.77	1.362.77	
Home Missions, Special	80.89	80.89	
Foreign Missions, Special	102.59	102.59	
Japanese Relief	159.96	159.96	
Near East Relief	20.00	20.00	
Ministerial Sustentation	137.55	137.55	
	$23,194.50	$21,573.47	$ 1,621.03

INDEBTEDNESS OF CLASSIS

Hedrick's Grove	$ 850.00
Shiloh, Faith	1,500.00
Beulah	500.00
	$2,850.00

INTEREST DUE CLASSIS

Landis	$ 210.00
Shiloh, Faith	45.00
	$ 255.00

ARREARAGES

Classical Contingent—

Zion, Emanuel Charge, $122.03; Bethany, Catawba Charge, $41.50; Murphy Memorial, $9.10.

Synodical Contingent—

Zion, $6.36; Bethany, Catawba Charge, $4.37; Murphy Memorial, $0.95.

MILTON WHITENER, Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Your Committee on Finance have examined the Treasurer's books and find the accounts correct.

We note that the amount of $210 interest on the Church Building Fund granted to the Landis congregation, long due the Classis, is still unpaid.

We recommend that Classis donate to the First Reformed Church at Landis the sum of $210, and that the Treasurer be directed to apply the amount to the payment of the interest now due Classis.

The following is the apportionment of the sums referred to your committee, computed upon the membership for the current year:

Classical Contingent	$ .96
Potomac and General Synod Contingent	.08
Ministerial Relief	.15
Publication and S. S.	.10
Beneficiary Education	.20 ½
Theological Seminary	.10
Ministerial Sustentation	.04
American Bible Society	.01 ½
Total	$1.65 per mem.

The schedule of apportionments for Home and Foreign Missions has been prepared by the Missionary and Stewardship Committee, to which attention is directed.

J. A. PALMER,
MILTON WHITENER,
T. L. FINGER.

ARTICLE XX.

BENEVOLENT INSTITUTIONS

Report of the Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home

The Board of Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home submit the following report for the year ending May 1, 1924:

The Board held two regular and six call meetings during the

year. The Executive Committee held four meetings during the year.

The resignation of Rev. A. S. Peeler from the Superintendency of the Home was accepted to take effect Sept 15, 1923. Rev. W. H. McNairy was elected Superintendent of the Home, to begin Sept. 1st, 1923. The Superintendent-elect spent two weeks visiting orphanage administrations of the State before entering upon the active duties at the Home.

The Board admitted three children to the Home during the year. Two boys were sent to relatives and one boy ran away. There are 41 children in the Home, 21 girls and 20 boys.

The Board accepted plans and specifications for a dairy barn. The building is in the course of construction, nearing completion.

The Board has accepted plans and specifications for a girls' dormitory. The proposed building will furnish dormitory for 50 girls, including all necessary equipment; also kitchen and dining room for 100 children, and all necessary equipment; also matrons' quarters and parlors. The Board, through a Building Committee, is ready to receive bids and go forward with the work. The Board, through a Finance Committee, will undertake to raise the funds for the whole building program. The proposed method is this: One layman and one woman will have charge in each of the five groups of churches in Classis. These will select one layman and one woman in each church in their groups. These in turn will set up an organization in each church. Group meetings will be held in each group and the work presented by the Finance Committee. The time for the canvass has been set for June 15-22, 1924. Pastors are urged to present the needs of the Home and prepare the way for the financial canvass on the dates proposed.

From the Superintendent's report we learn the following: First, the Board of Commissioners of Rowan County will place a hard surfaced road by the Home from Bethany Church to the station, and a new topsoil road direct from the station to the State highway. Second, the farm is showing a larger production for the year, and a new orchard has been planted. Third, there were 10 children in school at Rockwell and 3 girls graduated from the High School. The same school arrangements will be continued and improved. Fourth, the physical condition of the children shows marked improvement for the year. Fifth, twenty-three children were confirmed in the Christian faith, members of Bethany Reformed Church. Sixth, the Superintendent asks for a consecrated Christian woman, member of the Reformed Church, for the position of matron of the Home.

The Anniversary Day was held August 5, 1923. It was a beautiful day. The attendance was larger than any previous anniversary, and the receipts from all sources were larger. Rev. Geo.

Longaker, pastor of Trinity Reformed Church, Akron, Ohio, delivered the address. The class, under the direction of Miss Clara Lentz, gave a splendid program, a credit to the Home. The special feature was the unveiling of the mounment at the grave of Rev. Dr. J. M. L. Lyerly in the Bethany Church cemetery. The address was given by Rev. W. C. Lyerly of Concord. The next anniversary day will be August 7, 1924. We hope the Reformed Church will rally to make this day the biggest of all. Special program for the occasion will be announced in due time.

From the Treasurer's report we note that the receipts for current funds for the year were $10,833.46, and the expenditures were $12,497.01. The Treasurer announced the receipt of an additional $1,500 from Elder and Mrs. Geo. A. Wood, of Chambersburg, Pa., $5,000 from the estate of Miss Mary E. Santee, of Philadelphia, Pa., also from Martha Lulu Fry $100.

The Board desires that Classis endorse the program of work for the Home and especially request the fullest cooperation of ministers and laity in the financial program. The Board desires the same arrangements for supplies for the stands as in former years.

The Board calls attention to the expiration of the terms of the following:

Board of Managers: Elder J. T. Plott, Rev. W. C. Lyerly, Rev. C. C. Wagoner; Auxiliary Board: Mrs. G. C. Fisher, Mrs. C. M. Rowe, Mrs. J. F. Troxler.

W. C. LYERLY, Secretary.

The report of the Treasurer, Elder Geo. H. Moose, has been audited, found correct and is herewith submitted:

Balance May 1st, 1923	$ 2,246.81
Received during year	12,933.46
Total	$15,180.27

Disbursements:

Motor and Installing	$ 108.19
Power, Light and Repairs	413.06
Merchandise	797.40
Groceries, etc.	1,759.27
Hardware	326.38
Flour and Feed	1,343.00
Shoe Repairs	145.74
Apportionment	82.14
Extractor, Pullies and Installing	89.30
Live Stock	280.00
Anniversary Expenses	98.50
Note and Interest	132.60

Repairing Truck and New Tires	258.72	
New Truck	665.00	
Gas and Oil	335.87	
Fixtures and Plumbing	523.31	
Medicine and Medical Services	103.25	
Insurance	271.72	
Salaries and Wages	3,556.00	
Paint and Painting	244.38	
School Books, etc.	84.81	
Freight, Guano, and Repairs	118.86	
Sundries	892.12	
Total	$12,629.62	
Endowments included in above	2,100.00	
	$14,729.62	
Balance May 1st		$ 450.65
Endowment:		
David H. Hinkle Fund		$ 500.00
Hoffman-Hodges Fund		2,000.00
M. L. Mantz Fund		500.00
J. M. May Fund		2,500.00
Chas M. Owen Fund		100.00
Mr. and Mrs. Geo. A. Wood Fund		3,000.00
R. L. Leonard Fund		500.00
Martha Lulu Fry Fund		100.00
J. T. Hedrick, (Annuity Bonds)		32,500.00
		$41,700.00
American Yarn and Processing Co.	$ 800.00	
New Building Fund (Mrs. D. T. Payne Fd.)	13,438.24	
Mary E. Santee Fund (Bonds)	5,000.00	
Certificates of Deposit	10,830.00	
Notes (Lexington Gro. Co.)	4,245.65	
Notes (Real Estate)	905.00	
Deposit Credit Building Fund	770.46	

GEO. H. MOOSE, Treasurer.

REPORT ON BENEVOLENT INSTITUTIONS

Your Committee on Benevolent Institutions submit the following report and recommendations on Ministerial Relief and the Nazareth Orphans' Home.

The Ministerial Relief and the Orphans' Home have submitted satisfactory reports, indicating progress and business-like

management. However, the causes herein mentioned seek the financial support of Classis. The Committee offers the following items, setting forth the desired needs:

1. That Classis pay the apportionment for Ministerial Relief in full and encourage the completion of its Endowment Fund.

2. That our Orphan's Home drive for the necessary funds for the proposed improvements be made between June 15 and 22. That each pastor and congregation cooperate with the Board in its suggested plan.

3. We urge that our churches remember the orphans on Christmas through gifts and funds. Also to make the coming anniversary a success by bringing it to the attention of our churches and Sunday schools. That the charges are requested to contribute liberally toward funds and supplies for the stand, as in former years.

JOHN B. SWARTZ,
A. C. PEELER,
A. W. MOOSE.

ARTICLE XXI.

EXAMINATION AND LICENSURE

Your committee on Examination and Licensure beg leave to report that no applicants have been referred to us, and we therefore have nothing to report.

C. W. WARLICK,
J. D. ANDREW.

ARTICLE XXII.

MINUTES OF GENERAL SYNOD

1. The following ministers and elders attended the meeting of General Synod held at Hickory, N. C., May 23-30, 1923: Revs. J. C. Leonard, J. A. Palmer, J. C. Peeler, H. A. Fesperman. Elders J. T. Plott, John W. Hedrick, Byron S. Shuford, J. O. Moose.

2. Page 41. Definite action on Temperance recommended:

(a) Classis requested to appoint a Committee on Temperance to cooperate, aid in law enforcement, and create public sentiment.

(b) Classis requested to recommend financial support of the Temperance cause.

(c) Classis to urge members of congregations to encourage their congressmen to approve the continuance of the Volstead Act and aid in the passage of proper laws of enforcement.

3. Page 43. Classis to request pastors to observe a day of prayer and to be watchful in advancing the moral interests of

the Public Schools in their respective communities.

4. Page 47. "The Book of Worship," commended to pastors and congregations for tentative use.

5. Pages 53 and 432. Specific action with reference to Young People's Work recommended.

(a) Classis requested to recommend the observance, with offerings, of Young People's Day on the Second Lord's Day in October; and to encourage organization of Young People's Work in local congregations.

(b) The Classical Committee on Young People's Societies requested to summarize the Statistical Reports and the Classical Stated Clerk instructed to forward the Classical survey to the Young People's Department of the Sunday School Board.

(c) Classis to request support of the Young People's Missionary, Dr. Zaugg, through the Young People's Societies.

(d) Classis to recommend the use of "The Way," to the Young People's Societies.

(e) Classis to commend to the Young People's Societies the program for the promotion of Religious Education in the local church.

6. Pages 65 and 67. Action with reference to work of Missionary and Stewardship Committee.

(a) Classis requested to co-operate heartily with the program of the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee.

(b) Classis to appoint a live, earnest Missionary and Stewardship Committee in responsive touch with the United Committee.

(c) Classis asked to consider carefully the facts enumerated on page 66 of General Synod's Minutes in accepting the apportionments for the four Boards of the Church and for the American Bible Society.

(d) Classis to study and, if possible, follow the "New Method of Apportionment" page 258 of the Blue Book, i. e. pages 58 and 59 of the printed Minutes.

(e) Classis to call attention of the congregations to the importance of a separate congregational treasurer for the Benevolent Funds.

(f) Classis advised that it has the right to lay apportionment for local interests; but that designated money must not be devoted to other purposes.

(g) Classis requested to stress the principle of the needs of God's Kingdom rather than the needs of the Boards in providing the full apportionment for the Church.

7. Pages 69 and 70. Classis requested to note the adoption of the Amendment to Article 67 of the Constitution requiring action and report within ninety days by the Consistory on all matters referred to it by the Classis at its annual meeting.

8. Pages 94, 127 and 128. Classis to arrange for the celebration in 1925 of the 200th Anniversary of the founding of the first congregations of the Reformed Church in Pennsylvania.

9. Page 112. Classis to co-operate in the work of the World Alliance for promoting International Friendship through the churches by circulating its literature through local committees.

10. Pages 142 and 143. Classis requested to recommend continued support of Near East Relief, and aid for the urgent needs of Central Europe.

11. Page 222. The attention of Classis is called to the policy of the Home Mission Board in withholding support from unpromising Missions.

12. Page 223. Classis to educate its people to think in larger sums than the static $500.00 for Church Building Funds.

13. Page 223. Classis asked to urge members of the Church to pay apportionments in full and to make provision for special contributions through Legacies and Endowments.

14. Page 223. Classis to commend the observance of Home Mission Day as designated by the Board.

15. Page 223. Classis to commend and support the Summer Missionary Conference and the work of the Educational Department.

16. Page 250. Classis urged to give due consideration and liberal support to the work of Ministerial Relief.

17. Page 250. A Sunday, preferably the one following Thanksgiving Day, recommended to Classis as a suitable time for the presentation of the cause of Ministerial Relief.

18. Page 250. Each Classis requested to appoint an informant.

19. Pages 299 and 300. Detailed requests to Classis bearing on the specific work of the Publication and Sunday School Board. (See items 3, 5 to 8 and 10 to 16, on aforesaid pages.)

20. Page 411. Detailed requests to pastors, consistories and congregations of the Classis, respecting the work of the Foreign Mission Board.

21. Page 423. Classis to re-emphasize the custom of giving our Orphans' Homes the right of way at Christmas time.

22. Pages 66, 433 and 434. The apportionment sent down to the Classis.

(a) An apportionment of 4 and one-half cents per member annually for contingent expenses of General Synod.

(b) The apportionments for the four Boards and the American Bible Society, sent down to Classis through the Missionary and Stewardship Committee, and according to the plan found on pages 258 and 259 of the Blue Book, or pages 57 to 59 of the Minutes of General Synod.

23. Page 444. Classis to encourage the laymen of the Church

to continue, in their own local communities, the forms of Christian activity developed through the Laymen's Missionary Movement.

24. Page 425. The attention of each Classis in the Eastern Section of the Church called to the Training School for Church Workers of the Presbyterian and Reformed Churches in Philadelphia, (and the need of supporting this school).

25. Page 453. General Synod will meet in twenty-second triennial sessions in First Reformed Church, Philadelphia, Pa., at 8 p. m., Wednesday, May 26, 1926.

H. A. FESPERMAN,
MILTON WHITENER,
B. S. SHUFORD.

ARTICLE XXIII.

PRESS

Your committee on Press beg leave to report that articles of the sessions of Classis were given to The Burlington News, Greensboro Daily News and Charlotte Observer.

W. R. WEAVER,
W. W. ROWE,
C. C. LEONARD,
H. A. WELKER.

ARTICLE XXIV.

NECROLOGY

Your committee on Necrology beg leave to report that nothing has been referred to us.

W. H. McNAIRY,
J. A. KOONS,
R. L. LOPP.

ARTICLE XXV.

MISCELLANEOUS

At the opening meeting of Classis Tuesday night, an address of welcome was delivered by Licentiate W. C. Shaw, which was responded to by the President.

The committee on the State of the Church was instructed to secure the best possible figures for churches not presenting complete statistics.

Lic. W. C. Shaw was appointed a committee of one on advisory

members. His report is shown in the list of advisory members.

The following miscellaneous sums were referred to the committee on Finance for apportionment: Stated Clerk's salary and expenses $124.10; Treasurer's salary and expenses $107.50; general contingent $200.00; printing of the Minutes of Classis $350.00; Church building obligations $700.00; Reformed Church Standard $750.00; Board of Christian Education $42.00; Board of Ministerial Relief $650.00; Classical sustentation for Rockwell, Faith and Catawba Charges $900.00.

The following were invited to address the Classis in the interest of the several causes represented: Rev. J. P. Moore, D. D., the Board of Foreign Missions; Rev. E. L. McLean, the Board of Ministerial Relief; Mr. Ralph S. Adams, the Board of Home Missions; Rev. W. H. McNairy, Nazareth Orphans' Home; Mr. J. Q. Truxall, the Forward Movement.

It was ordered that the Holy Communion be observed at 11 o'clock Wednesday morning, the solemn services being in charge of Revs. C. C. Wagoner and J. D. Andrew.

Consideration of the Forward Movement was made the order of the day Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock; consideration of Catawba College was made the order of the day Thursday morning at 10 o'clock.

Dr. Wm. T. Whitsett and Theological student E. W. Lentz, Jr., were introduced to Classis.

During a part of the sessions Elder R. F. Cline occupied the seat of Elder A. S. Cook, J. R. Warlick that of C. C. Leonard, and J. E. Corriher that of B. S. Shuford.

Before the vote was taken on the Forward Movement, the President requested the Stated Clerk to lead the Classis in prayer.

The Corresponding Secretary was instructed to communicate to those concerned, the action of Classis on the Summer Missionary Conference.

The Stated Clerk was requested to send letters of greetings and sympathy to our several aged ministers.

The following resolutions were passed relative to student supply during the coming summer:

Resolved, That the Classis of North Carolina ask the Board of Home Missions to give student supply this summer to the following charges: Guilford, Faith and Catawba.

Resolved, That we ask the Consistories of the churches of the several charges to cooperate heartily with the students in the work, and to contribute according to their ability to the expenses of the work thus conducted through the summer.

Committees of supply for the above named charges were appointed, as indicated in the list of Permanent Committees.

At the last session of Classis the following action was taken:

Resolved, That the Treasurer of Classis be instructed to pay to the Treasurer of St. Mark's Church the sum of ten dollars to defray the expenses incident to this annual meeting of Classis, and that a vote of thanks be extended to the St. Mark's congregation for their generous hospitality in entertaining us.

The President of Classis was authorized to appoint prior to the next annual meeting of Classis chairmen of the following committees: Minutes of General Synod, of Potomac Synod, and of Classis: Missions, Benevolent Institutions, Education, State of the Church, Press, Young People's Societies, Necrology. Attention was called to the standing rule of Classis in regard to sending in reports to these several chairmen and monies to the Treasurer at least five days before the annual meeting.

ARTICLE XXVI.
RESUMPTION AND CLOSE

The committee on Leave of Absence offered the following report:

The committee on Leave of Absence beg leave to report that the following members have been excused to go home: W. R. Weaver, Thursday morning; L. J. Shive, R. B. McCombs, E. D. Fox, Thursday noon; A. S. Peeler, B. M. Hedrick, E. R. Everhart, B. C. Nance, Thursday evening; D. C. Cox, R. L. Lopp, Edgar Whitener, W. W. Rowe, W. H. McNairy, H. A. Welker, J. A. Palmer, J. F. Troxler, J. C. Peeler, C. S. Long, A. A. Blackwelder, D. M. Klutz, Friday morning.

A. C. PEELER,
D. C. COX,
D. E. CLAPP.

At the last session Friday morning, all business having been transacted, the roll was called, the Minutes were read and approved, and the Classis adjourned in form.

ARTICLE XXVII.
ADJOURNMENT

The Classis adjourned finally Friday morning at 11:30 o'clock, May 9th, to meet in 95th annual sessions in Grace (Lower Stone) Reformed Church, Faith Charge, Rockwell, North Carolina, Tuesday evening, May 5, A. D., 1925, at 8 o'clock.

W. C. LYERLY, President
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

Official copy from the original Minutes.

J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

CLASSICAL STATISTICAL REPORT YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES

CONGREGATION	NAME OF SOCIETY	NAME AND ADDRESS OF SECRETARY	MEMBERS				CONTRIBUTIONS			
			Enrollment	At College	Preparing for Christian Life Service	Delegates at Conferences and Conventions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Young People's Department Publication and S. S. Board	Local Church and Society
1st, Lexington	Y. P. S. C. E.	Miss Alice Myrtle Koonts, Lexington	60	6	1	3	$ 40.00	$	$8.00	$ 18.00
Corinth, Hickory	Y. P. S. C. E.	Miss Ruth Mize, Hickory	35	5			10.00	25.00		
2nd, Lexington	Y. P. S. C. E.	Baxter Cope, Nokomis Mill, Lexington	58			2				119.00
St. John's	Y. P. S.	Miss Mabel Archer, Kannapolis	10			1				
St. Paul's	Y. P. S.	Ralph Sechler, China Grove, Route 3	18			1				
Ursinus	C. E.	Miss Ruth Holshouser, Rockwell, Box 247	44	11						48.00
1st, Charlotte	C. E.	Miss Pauline Penninger, 802 E. 3rd St., Charlotte	20			3	10.00			10.00
1st, Greensboro	Sr. C. E.	Miss Virgie Plott, 442 Gorrell St., Greensboro	35	2	1	4	15.00	10.00		25.00
1st, Greensboro	Jr. C. E.	Miss Ruth Lewis, W. Lee St., Greensboro	30				5.00	10.00		10.00
Burlington	Y. P. S. C. E.	Miss Ruth Burke, Holt St., Burlington	45							141.00
Burlington	Jr. C. E.	Miss Nesbit Handford, Holt St., Burlington	30							15.00
Emanuel	Baraca Class	C. H. Shuler, Thomasville	42	1		1	28.00	4.80		
Emanuel	Jr. Baraca	Reece Shuler, Thomasville	21							
Emanuel	Philathea	Miss Susie Harris, Thomasville	37	1		1				
Emanuel	Jr. Philathea	Miss Virgie Everhart, Thomasville	20			2				
St. Mark's	C. E.	Miss Eva Rumbley, Burlington, Route 4	33			1				30.00
St. Mark's	Jr. C. E.	Miss Ruby Ferrell, Burlington, Route 4	27							
Schlatter Memorial	Jr. C. E.	Miss Ethel Thompson, Arcadia Ave., Winston-Salem	30							
Schlatter Memorial	Philathea	Miss Clara Rothrock, Mornmouth Ave., Winston-Salem	30							
Schlatter Memorial	Baraca	Wm. Crouch, Winston-Salem, Route 4	25			3				
Maiden Memorial	Y. P. S. C. E.	Virgil Bolick, Newton, Route 3	16	2						10.00
1st, High Point	Y. P. S. C. E.	Miss Nina Livengood, High Point	15							3.00
1st, High Point	E. Workers' Guild	Miss Carrie Lambeth, High Point	29	1		3	21.00	20.00		68.00
		TOTALS FOR CLASSIS	750	30	2	25	$129.00	$69.80	$8.00	$397.00

STATISTICAL REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS

NAME OF CHARGE	NAME OF SCHOOL	Name and Address of Gen. Supt	SUNDAY SCHOOL MEMBERSHIP															CONTRIBUTIONS					
			Sunday School Officers	Sunday School Teachers	Cradle Roll (Ages 1, 2, 3)	Beginners (4, 5)	Primary (6, 7, 8)	Junior (9, 10, 11)	Intermediate (12, 13, 14)	Senior (15, 16, 17)	Young People (18-23)	Adults (24 on)	Home Department	Total Sunday School Enrollment	Average Attendance	In Full Church Membership	Confirmed During Year	Teacher Training Students	Pupils in Summer Bible Day Schools	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Publication and S. S. Board	Other Benevolences	Support of School	Use Reformed Lesson Helps?
Kannapolis	St. John's	H. J. Peeler, Kannapolis	8	11	.....	20	38	28	13	9	41	33	....	201	116	80	11	....	.....	.....	.....	10	30	257	Yes
Kannapolis	St. Paul's	Clyde Deal, Mooresville	6	8	.....	11	9	11	6	7	6	33	....	97	55	56	4	13	.....	.....	6	7	.....	58	Yes
Lincolnton	Emanuel	C. C. Leonard, Lincolnton	4	6	.....	8	10	8	7	.....	.....	29	....	83	55	44	4	....	31	9	45	.....	15	120	Yes
Lincolnton	Daniel's	J. D. Warlick, Reepsville	4	4	.....	8	6	8	.....	.....	.....	30	....	60	41	40	3	....	20	8	12	9	10	65	Yes
South Fork	St. Paul's	W. J. Isbell, Newton	4	7	.....	.....	25	20	12	14	6	25	....	113	62	.....	.....	....	.....	3	.....	.....	8	61	Yes
South Fork	Grace	J. A. Dellinger, Newton	4	6	.....	.....	12	10	9	7	10	20	....	78	54	.....	.....	....	.....	3	.....	.....	7	53	No
South Fork	Bethel	Gordon Whitener, Hickory	3	4	.....	.....	11	13	10	6	8	25	....	80	56	.....	.....	....	.....	5	.....	.....	5	51	Yes
Lincoln	Memorial	J. F. Carpenter, Maiden	6	6	6	8	10	11	10	4	10	25	....	96	60	54	.....	....	.....	27	.....	.....	112	105	Yes
Lincoln	Matthew's	D. F. Campbell, Lincolnton	6	5	4	5	8	6	6	10	14	19	....	83	51	53	3	....	.....	12	.....	.....	67	45	Yes
First Lexington	First	J. T. Hedrick, Lexington	6	16	.....	38	46	108	78	60	56	117	....	525	317	375	38	....	38	45	127	48	17	503	Yes
Greensboro	First	J. T. Plott, Greensboro	11	11	32	50	40	45	40	35	30	180	....	474	255	200	24	....	6	330	.....	.....	431	736	Yes
Hickory	Corinth	Geo. C. Warlick, Hickory	8	14	44	16	64	30	12	12	11	39	....	250	150	91	.....	....	.....	50	200	20	500	308	Yes
Guilford	St. Mark's	E. C. Rumbley, Burlington	4	6	.....	12	15	10	8	.....	15	30	....	100	55	53	2	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	25	Yes
Lenoir	Zion	I. T. Hedrick, Lenoir	4	6	4	5	6	10	7	12	12	10	....	76	50	41	6	....	.....	.....	.....	25	125	80	Yes
Burlington	First	Herbert Coble, Burlington	6	12	28	38	24	22	14	46	11	78	....	279	142	137	25	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	58	217	Yes
Faith	Shiloh	T. M. Byrd, Salisbury	3	13	19	13	28	19	23	14	29	19	....	180	132	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	384	Yes
Faith	Mt. Hope	W. A. Casper, Salisbury	4	7	8	.....	24	.....	24	.....	48	44	....	144	60	144	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Yes
Faith	Grace	R. L. Holshouser, Rockwell	5	9	7	12	16	13	9	.....	33	78	....	182	78	130	4	....	.....	27	30	79	.....	.....	Yes
Newton	Grace	W. M. Wagoner, Newton	6	12	.....	19	13	35	12	11	18	38	....	161	106	86	5	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	150	Yes
Zion-Landis	Zion	B. S. Shuford, China Grove	9	14	.....	41	49	20	26	40	36	116	....	346	220	200	15	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	322	Yes
Zion-Landis	First	O. L. Linn, Landis	10	9	.....	10	28	26	12	10	15	20	....	140	108	84	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	500	Yes
Rockwell	Ursinus	J. Y. Peeler, Rockwell	5	11	12	14	14	22	24	28	26	25	....	181	128	109	14	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	45	135	Yes
Rockwell	Bethany	Ray Lyerly, Crescent	4	8	5	12	8	14	10	18	5	20	....	114	70	61	29	....	.....	.....	.....	8	.....	154	Yes
Rockwell	St. Luke's	Charles Fisher, Salisbury	4	7	7	11	8	4	14	14	.....	.....	....	66	38	40	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	7	.....	22	48	Yes
Charlotte	First	B. J. Summerrow, Charlotte	6	12	14	20	30	16	6	.....	25	50	....	178	112	100	1	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	34	55	Yes
2nd, Lexington	Second	T. A. Swing, Lexington	4	9	53	32	30	57	23	36	47	84	....	375	217	108	32	10	103	.....	.....	.....	17	75	200	Yes
Upper Davidson	Pilgrim		7	8	.....	21	51	.....	21	25	26	78	....	237	124	183	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	266	105	Yes
Upper Davidson	Beulah		7	8	.....	35	39	.....	.....	85	.....	.....	....	324	136	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	93	186	Yes
																					35	.....	30	175	Yes
																					5	.....			

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Upper Davidson	Bethany		5	8	.....	8	14	10	12	27	14	41	....	126	59	84	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	142	No
Guilford	Mt. Hope	Jesse C. Andrew, Greensboro	4	9	61	30	27	17	17	36	.....	49	23	273	107	140	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	105	Yes
High Point	First	J. W. Hedrick, High Point	6	12	30	41	30	23	25	37	27	83	....	314	169	131	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	153	550	Yes
Concord	Trinity	J. O. Moose, Concord	10	12	26	16	25	16	33	12	16	80	22	268	130	144	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	217	238	Yes
Salisbury	First	W. R. Bostian, Salisbury	7	11	38	19	19	11	29	16	.....	69	15	234	130	153	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	360	Yes
Waughtown	First	W. A. Linville, Winston-Salem	7	10	10	18	26	17	12	17	8	53	....	178	138	.....	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	27	167	Yes
Waughtown	Hebron	Raymond Livengood, Winston-Salem	5	8	8	17	11	12	14	.....	15	20	....	110	66	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	60	Yes
Waughtown	Bethlehem	A. C. Charles, Winston-Salem	4	3	.....	6	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	....	22	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30	5	Yes
Schlatter Memorial	Schlatter Mem.	E. A. Sink, Winston-Salem	5	11	5	20	35	20	19	20	50	20	....	205	110	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30	250	Yes
Lower Davidson	Beck's		5	7	.....	.....	35	39	30	.....	.....	33	....	137	80	84	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	60	Yes
Lower Davidson	Hedrick,s Grove		4	7	.....	.....	50	25	30	50	.....	50	....	205	90	125	23	.....	.....	.....	9	.....	.....	.....	45	Yes
Lower Davidson	Mt. Tabor		4	6	.....	.....	50	25	58	.....	.....	52	....	185	95	60	11	.....	.....	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	55	Yes
Catawba	Trinity	A. L. Shuford, Conover	4	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	141	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Yes
Catawba	Bethany		3	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	51	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Yes
Catawba	Smyrna		4	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Yes
Thomasville	Thomasville	Albert Byerly, Thomasville	5	10	19	31	23	9	25	10	12	44	....	185	122	74	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	176	Yes
Bear Creek	St. James'	A. C. Lentz, Concord	4	12	.....	22	18	23	.....	.....	32	101	....	196	135	100	3	.....	.....	30	118	91	60	22	22	Yes
Bear Creek	Boger	W. A. Watts, Concord	4	7	8	.....	30	8	.....	.....	.....	60	....	117	70	65	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	43	14	30	30	Yes
Bear Creek	Bethel	O. A. Barrier, Mt. Pleasant	4	9	.....	.....	15	19	15	.....	.....	46	....	108	83	89	10	.....	.....	17	.....	193	15	15	15	Yes
Emanuel	Emanuel	W. I. Foust, Thomasville	6	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	334	127	185	5	.....	.....	64	.....	.....	.....	135	135	No
Emanuel	Calvary	R. L. Lopp, Thomasville	5	5	.....	.....	28	35	35	42	.....	.....	....	140	60	96	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	55	Yes
Emanuel	Zion	Earlie Jones, Thomasville	5	10	.....	.....	50	25	40	15	.....	.....	....	135	60	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	59	No
Gilead	New Gilead	Fred Neisler, Concord	5	7	.....	9	5	15	.....	12	.....	26	....	79	49	42	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7	36	No
Gilead	Keller	Aaron Cook, Concord	4	4	.....	.....	12	8	.....	.....	10	10	....	48	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	28	No
W. Hickory	Murphy Mem.	J. C. DeRhodes, Hickory	2	3	.....	6	11	.....	5	11	.....	.....	....	38	24	11	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	46	Yes
W. Hickory	Brookford	W. T. Mauney, Brookford	4	4	.....	26	29	18	18	26	.....	.....	....	125	89	48	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17	91	Yes
Guilford	Brick	James Shepherd, Burlington	4	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	225	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Yes
		TOTALS FOR CLASSIS	287	456	448	728	1552	933	859	834	722	2102	60	9498	5472	4300	346	40	198	630	613	556	3356	7261		

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MINISTER	POST OFFICE ADDRESS	NAME OF CHARGE OR CONGREGATION	COMMUNICANT MEMBERS														Contributions, Including Congregation and all Organization												Value
				Gains			Losses										Benevolence												
			Membership Last Report	(1) Confirmed	Certificate	Renewal of Profession	Dismissed	Deaths	Erasure of Names	Present Membership	Communed During the Year	(2) Unconfirmed Members	Infant Baptisms	Deaths Unconfirmed	Students for Ministry	Total S. S. Enrollment, including Officers, Teachers, Scholars, Home Dept. and Cradle Roll	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	*Education	Ministerial Relief	Orphans' Homes	Forward Movement Budget	Other Denominational Benevolences	Benevolences Outside of Denomination	Total of All Benevolences	Congregational Purposes	Churches
John Ingle	Green Park, N. C.	Without Charge																										
Michael L. Hedrick	Lexington, N. C., R 6	Without Charge																										
Paul Barringer, D. D.	Mt. Pleasant, N. C.	Without Charge																										
Jacob C. Leonard, D. D.	Lexington, N. C.	First, Lexington	480	42	18	2	6	7	31	498	391	83	7	1		525	572	497	168	72	467	775	474		3 025	5 563	30 000	
James D. Andrew	Lexington, N. C., R. 1	Pilgrim	275	11			5	1	30	250	225		4			237	100	135	68			367	140		810	917	5 000	
	Upper Davidson Charge	Beulah	317	6	10		3	2	15	313	275		6			324		5				100	161		266	2 096	10 000	
		Bethany	77	12	2	1	2	2	4	84	85					126	2	6	19		27	50	40		144	392	3 000	
Julius H. Shuford	Hickory, N. C.	Without Charge																										
Wm. H. McNairy	Crescent, N. C.	Supt. Naz. Orph. Home.																										
John H. Keller	China Grove, N. C.	Mt. Zion	290	15	2		13	5		289	225	190	10	1		289	232	715	72	43	62	300	179		1 603	1 532	35 000	
	Zion-Landis Charge	First, Landis	111		3		2	1		111	90	51	6	1		140	89	450		16	100		451		806	5 770	30 000	
Walter W. Rowe	Dayton, Ohio	Prof. Central Seminary...																										
Shuford Peeler	Charlotte, N. C.	First, Charlotte	119	1	20		6		6	128	101	46	4			178	101	126	55	18	145	388	88		921	2 317	48 000	
Anthony Shunlenberger	China Grove, N. C.	Without Charge																										
Lee A. Peeler	Kannapolis, N. C.	St. John's, Kannapolis...	95	9	19		4		3	116	110	34	3			201	103	103	63	15	38		82	50	454	5 849	50 000	
	Kannapolis Charge	St. Paul's	68	4	1		4	2	3	64	54	17	1			97	55	61	46	10	50	75	101	50	448	402	2 000	
A. Samuel Peeler	Lexington, N. C., R. 1	Hedrick's Grove	102		2		1	1		102	74	62	20			205		9			32		52		84	4 895	18 500	
	Lower Davidson Charge	Mt. Tabor	94	11	2		8	1		98	86		1			185		6	1		29		25		55	210	2 000	
		Jerusalem	31				2	1		28	16	15	4					2			1		34		37	108	1 500	
		Beck's	175	23			2	1		195	122	85	7			137		13	22		34		89		58	464	2 000	
C. Columbus Wagoner	Newton, N. C.	Grace, Newton	239	5	5		10	4	16	219	157	70	6	1		161	284	338	226	36	125	375	155	73	1 612	3 378	10 000	
Dougan C. Cox	Thomasville, N. C.	Emanuel	188	5	2		9	2	2	182	150		3			334	215				64	20			299	450	1 500	
	Emanuel Charge	Calvary	108	4			1	2		109	76					140					32				32	800	5 000	
		Zion	136	6			2			140	120	23				135					29				29	250	2 000	
John A. Koons	Maiden, N. C.	Memorial, Maiden	70		1	1	1	1		70	67	33	3			90	56	56	47	11	112		38	80	400	978	1 80	
	Lincoln Charge	Salem	31	4				1		34	33	15	4				25	25	21	4	47	145	17	15	299	280	2	
		St. Matthew's	82	3	2	3	2	1		87	84	54	5			87	65	65	54	12	25	200	93	20	534	400	4 00	
Jacob A. Palmer	Thomasville, N. C.	Heidelberg, Thomasville	145	10	13	1	3	2	4	160	113	20	2			185	131	130	82	27	142	293	155	4	964	3 622	6 000	
John C. Peeler	Lenoir, N. C.	Zion, Lenoir	55	6	2					63	57	24				76	80	94	38	8	123	567	35	124	1 069	5 094	25 000	
Albert F. Nace	Atlanta, Ga.	Without Charge																										
Wm. C. Lyerly	Concord N. C.	Trinity, Concord	138	11	15	1	4	2		159	147	52	5	1		268	204	204	44	10	325	464	86	60	1 307	6 140	7 500	
Harvey A. Welker	Burlington, N. C.	First Burlington	166	13	13	4	5	1		184	147	87				279	144	144	34	24	20	100	231	40	737	3 200	5 000	
Harvey A. M. Holshouser, Ph. D.	Rockwell, N. C.	St. Luke's	54		1			1		54	54	48	5			66	50	50	20	5	165	20	15	8	333	280	8	
	Rockwell Charge	Ursinus, Rockwell	119	14	2	1	12			124	120	112	6	1	1	181	90	95	25	17	450	108	35	20	840	1 079	8	
		Bethany, Crescent	58	28	3		13	1		75	72	45	3		2	114	50	50	20	5	170	95	20	6	416	363	1 0	
Harvey A. Fesperman	Greensboro, N. C.	First, Greensboro	215	22	21	8	2	1	3	260	200	50	2		1	474	192	194	150	32	650	225	677	250	2 370	5 196	32 0	
Harvey G. Kopenhaver	Catawba, N. C.																											
Frank L. Fesperman	Yamagata, Japan	Missionary to Japan																										
Sterling W. Whitener	Yochow City, Hunan, China	Missionary to China																										
Milton Whitener	High Point, N. C.	First, High Point	167	13	6	3	6		2	181	116	36	2	1		314	134	134	121	25	147	434	85	200	1 280	2 745	25 0	
Chas. W. Warlick	Mt. Pleasant, N. C.	St. James',	79	9	3		4	1	6	80	63	29	1			108	63	63	44	11	53		51	12	299	16 196	25 0	
	Bear Creek Charge	Bethel	218	3		1	10			212	190	51	5	1		196	211	171			225	400			107	725	3 0	
		Boger	78	4	1		3		2	78	66	25	1			117					38	55			93	163	1 5	
A. Odell Leonard	Lexington, N. C., R. 2	Second, Lexington	132	34	3	6	5	2	11	157	140	21	21			375	106	117	75	20	77		351	75	800	1 723	2 5	
Banks J. Peeler	Salisbury, N. C.	First Salisbury	169	1	5				4	168	130	34					135	135	112	31	57	323	86		779	1 366	25 0	
John B. Swartz	Newton, N. C.	St. Paul's	113		1		5	1	2	106	81	30	4			113	12	12	29	4	33	154	57		366	536	3 5	
	South Fork Charge	Bethel	79	7	1		3		2	82	60	18	5			80	5	4	12	3	35	91	40		214	758	3 5	
		Grace	85		1	4				90	63	19	1			75	17	17	21	3	56	144	43	10	301	535	2 06	
W. C. Shaw, Lic.	Burlington, N. C.	Without Charge																										
O. Clain Michael	Winston-Salem, N. C.	Schlatter Memorial	88	2	7	12	2	1	4	90	60	35	2			205	72	72	59	12	10	27	103		355	575	35 00	
J. Dudley Maeder	Concord, N. C.	New Gilead	120	1	3	6	7	1		122	108		12			79	41	63		16	45	60	4	2	171	554	2 50	
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Augustus C. Peeler	Winston-Salem, N. C.	First, Waughtown	92	18	1	2	2			111	66	5		1		178	74	78	61	17	116	130	47		523	483	10 00	
	Waughtown Charge	Hebron	91				3	3		85	60	20			1	110	50	50			37	174	48		359	231	3 000	
		Bethlehem	43		1		3	2		39	20					22									21	60		
Vacant			19	3		1	2		2	20	16			5		38					20				20	160	2 000	
Vacant	Hickory, N. C.	Murphy Memorial	79	11	2	5	5	2	7	83	60	21	15	12		125	5	5	20	3	36		40		109	267	1 500	
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	Lincolnton Charge	Daniel's	115	7			2			120	93					273	20	20	30	4	40		59		173	767	3 000	
Vacant	Julian, N. C., R. 1	Mt. Hope	128		8		4	2		130	70	25				150	10	5	16	4			65		100	227	3 000	
	Guilford Charge	Brick	118	2			10	8		102	90	30	6			108	25	20	21	5		50	60		181	650	3 000	
		St. Mark's	11		3		2			12	10						9	9	7	2			6		33	150	2 500	
		Fairview	120				1	1		118	98	77	6			180	48	48			307				404	404	5 000	
Vacant	Salisbury, N. C., R. 3	Shiloh	124	5			1			122	120	68	2	1		182	75	30			28				133	400	5 000	
	Faith Charge	Grace	69		4		12	1	2	54		45	4			144						35			35		2 500	
		Mt. Hope	43	8				3		55	55	25				100							40			774	1 000	
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MINUTES

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In

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SPECIAL MEETING OF NORTH CAROLINA CLASSIS, NOVEMBER 18, 1924.

The Classis of North Carolina met in the First Reformed Church, Salisbury, N. C., November 18, 1924, at 10 o'clock A. M., in response to a call regularly issued. Devotional services were conducted by Rev. A. O. Leonard. The Stated Clerk being absent, Rev. Milton Whitener was appointed Stated Clerk pro-tem. The roll was called and the following members found present: Ministers, J. D. Andrew, J. H. Keller, Shuford Peeler, L. A. Peeler, A. S. Peeler, C. C. Wagoner, D. C. Cox, J. A. Koons, W. C. Lyerly, H. A. Welker, H. A. M. Holshouser, H. A. Fesperman, Milton Whitener, A. O. Leonard, B. J. Peeler, J. B. Swartz, J. D. Maeder, A. C. Peeler, and Geo. Longaker; Elders, B. S. Shuford, R. L. Lopp, B. F. Wagoner, D. T. Peeler, R. L. Holshouser, L. J. Shive and J. T. Hedrick. Advisory members present: Ministers, Rev. J. M. Mullan, of Maryland Classis and Rev. W. F. DeLong, D. D., of Lebanon Classis, Eastern Synod; Elders, J. W. Peeler, C. B. Fisher, H. C. Peeler, M. F. Roseman, W. Lacy Leonard and W. C. Lanier

The call was read, considered item by item, and disposed of as follows:

1. The Missionary and Stewardship Committee submitted the following report, which was considered item by item, each item severally adopted, and finally adopted as a whole, with instructions to the Missionary and Stewardship Committee to publish the report in full in the Standard:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your Missionary and Stewardship Committee desires to submit the following report:

A meeting of all Missionary and Stewardship Committees was held in Harrisburg, Pa., September 16, and again unanimously accepted the apportionments as worked out by the new system authorized by General Synod. The conference heard representatives of the various Boards present their causes and all without exception convincingly stated that the Church must either accept these increased amounts, or retrench in her benevolent and missionary work. The Classis of North Carolina was one of the few Classes in Potomac Synod to accept the full apportionment last year.

The amounts for Classis this year are: Home Missions, $9,860.24; Foreign Missions, $10,669.80. The slight increase in the amounts over last year is due to the increase in membership and the fact also that a number of our congregations have had build-

ing projects under way during the past year. In the case of five congregations, where new churches were constructed during the year, it was necessary to make some adjustments. In order that the apportionment of these five congregations might not be two or three times as large as the other congregations of the Classis, their large congregational expense amounts were partially distributed throughout the entire Classis. Your committee felt that in justice to these congregations, this should be done.

We desire to make the following recommendations:

1. That Classis adopt the full benevolent budget assigned by General Synod and unanimously adopted by the Classical Missionary and Stewardship Committees in Harrisburg, Pa., on September 16, 1924.

2. That Classis again adopt General Synod's plan of apportionment without change.

3. That the Missionary and Stewardship Committee be instructed to prepare tables for Home and Foreign Missions to be sent out immediately to the various congregations.

4. That every congregation be asked to include these new amounts in their budgets for the every member canvass for 1925.

5. That every congregation be urged to put on a carefully planned every member canvass annually.

6. That the attention of pastors and congregations be called to the following literature prepared by the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee: for canvassers, "Steps to Success in the Every Member Canvass;" for the congregation. "Every Member Meets a Canvasser," and "In Service for Others" or "Your Apportionment at Work;" also "Principles of Stewardship." These pamphlets are for free distribution and we urge a large use of them by pastors and congregations.

7. Church treasurers are again urged to make monthly remittances to the Classical treasurer of all benevolent monies.

8. That pastors where necessary inform the congregations as to just what the apportionment is for, and explain the necessity of raising these larger amounts that the work of the Kingdom may go forward.

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. FESPERMAN,
L. A. PEELER,
J. A. KOONS.

At this point Classis took recess until 1:30.

The Classis re-convened at 1:30 and was led in prayer by Rev. J. M. Mullan.

Item 2 of the call came under consideration. The Classical Forward Movement Committee submitted the following report,

which was considered item by item, and finally adopted as a whole.

To the Classis of North Carolina,

The Committee on Forward Movement would present the following report and recommendations:

This is the fifth and last year of the Forward Movement officially. The Commission will close the Forward Movement organization June 30, 1925, the end of the fifth year.

There is a great unfinished task before the Classis of North Carolina that we ought to finish within this period of time. Our unfinished task is to create that morale, that Christian attitude, that will cause us to pay up in full all that we obligated ourselves to do in the canvass prior to the Classis at High Point in 1920. This cannot come from within alone. It cometh from above. What we need in this Classis is a Spirit-baptism that will compel us to make good.

The original quota for the Classis was $157,435.69. The subscriptions from 55 of the 57 Congregations totaled $190,340.75. Up to November 13, 1924, there has been received by Treasurer Paisley $73,451.22, which includes $15.00 on the Co-operative Plan.

As many as 35 churches have paid something during 1924. Seven churches made their last payment in 1923, 4 in 1922, 6 in 1921, which was the first year. Three churches have made no payment on pledges.

We would recommend the plans set forth by the Commission for the completion of the Forward Movement:

1st. That this Classis appoint a Completion Committee of 5 Ministers and 5 laymen, one each from the several groups, also a Classical Director who shall be Chairman of the Committee. This Committee shall have charge of the Completion of the work in the Classis using any plans submitted by the Commission or adapting any plans that will yield the largest payment on subscriptions already made.

2nd. That this Classis designate the week April 26 to May 3, 1925, as Forward Movement week and make the same effort to pay in full as was made to subscribe in full.

3rd. That the Completion Committee use the Standard to educate the people and cultivate the principle of honesty in all things.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. LYERLY,
J. T. HEDRICK,
J. W. PEELER.

Upon motion Rev. W. C. Lyerly was made Classical Forward Movement Director. The following were named as assistants: Rev.

H. A. Fesperman and Edgar Whitener, Rev. J. A. Palmer and H. H. Koontz, Rev. J. H. Keller and J. Yorke Peeler, Rev. L. A. Peeler and C. H. A. Rupp, Rev. Geo. Longaker and A. A. Blackwelder.

Item 3. Notice of the reception of Lic. W. C. Shaw by Fort Wayne Classis, Mid-West Synod. The item was adopted.

Item 4. The resignation of Rev. H. L. G. Kieffer, D. D., as Trustee of Catawba College was accepted. Harry E. Foil was elected to fill the unexpired term, and Synod requested to confirm the election.

Item 5. The death of Rev. J. H. Shuford was announced and the following minute was read and adopted by a rising vote. While the Classis was standing Rev. D. C. Cox led in prayer.

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REVEREND JULIUS H. SHUFORD

Rev. Julius H. Shuford was born in Catawba County, North Carolina, near the town of Hickory, December 19, 1849. Departed this life October 13, 1924; aged 74 years, 9 months and 14 days. He was the son of the late Jacob H. Shuford and his wife, Catherine Baker Shuford. He was the ninth child in a large family of eleven children, of whom only Mrs. Laura Shuford Ramsaur, widow of the late Eli Ramsaur, survives. The parents of the Rev. Mr. Shuford lived on a fine large farm near the junction of Jacob's Fork and Henry's Fork, which unite to form the South Fork River, along which streams are thousands of fertile acres. This section has from the first settlements been noted for its sterling type of citizenship. This devoted brother was the grand-son of Jacob Shuford; the great-grand-son of Martin Shuford; the great-great-grand-son of John Shuford. The latter was the pioneer founder of the large Shuford family in North Carolina. Many of his numerous descendants have also gone into other states of the union.

When Julius H. Shuford was fifteen years of age, January, 1865, his father took him to Newton to enter Catawba College as a student. Here he took his preparatory course under the late Dr. Jacob C. Clapp and Prof. Eli Warlick. The Civil War was still in progress at that time, and those were gloomy days. Three of his brothers, Abel A., Wallace P., and John M. Shuford were then in active service in the Confederate Army. Another brother, Wm. Harrison Shuford, had been killed in the battle of the Wilderness in 1864. And still another brother, Adolphus L. Shuford, had

charge of the Commissary Department of the Confederate Government at Hickory. On his father's farm were ten negro servants. School prospects in those war-time days were very gloomy. But this young student was quite plucky and determined to secure an education. He continued in Catawba College until the close of the spring session in 1871, havng at that time finished the Freshman year. Because of the war those in charge of the school could not take the young man further. He therefore entered Ursinus College, from which he graduated in 1874.

The ministerial life of Rev. J. H. Shuford extended over the long period of fifty years. He was licensed by the Classis of North Carolina July, 4, 1874, and was ordained to the Gospel ministry the next day by Rev. J. C. Clapp, D. D., P. M. Trexler, D. D., and G. W. Welker, D. D.; and at the same time he was installed pastor of the Grace Charge, said Classis, consisting of Grace, Bethel, Daniel's and Corinth churches, in Lincoln and Catawba counties. He remained in Grace Charge two years, when he received a call to the West Rowan Charge. Here he remained one year. In 1878 he was called a second time to the Grace Charge, and this pastorate continued two years. The church at Hickory was not now a part of the charge. In 1881 he was called to Altamont, Illinois, where he remained two years. In 1884 he was called to the Astoria Charge in the same state. At the end of the year 1886 he resigned this charge, and supplied a church at Boulder, Iowa. In 1887 he returned to North Carolina and was supply for the Upper Davidson Charge one year. Through all these years he was not only pastor but also school teacher. Early in 1888 he was called to the Middlebrook Charge, Virginia Classis, where he remained four years. In 1892 the Rev. Mr. Shuford came back to North Carolina, his home state, and here he spent the rest of his life. For a year he taught school at Blowing Rock and supplied the Reformed Church at that place.

Brother Shuford was a quiet, unassuming minister. He was a well educated man and preached excellent sermons. He had remarkable gifts especially in extempore prayer, and his prayers are remembered by his parishioners as beautiful and soul-uplifting.

Funeral services were held in Bethel Reformed Church, Catawba County, North Carolina, the church in which he was confirmed when a youth, October 14th in charge of Revs. J. B. Swartz, C. C. Wagoner and J. C. Peeler.

J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

Item 6. (a.) The pastoral relation between Rev. J. D. Andrew and the Upper Davidson Charge was dissolved, to take effect December 31, 1924.

(b.) A call to Rev. J. D. Andrew from the Faith Charge was

confirmed, and the following committee of Installation appointed: Revs. C. W. Warlick, B. J. Peeler and Elder B. F. Wagoner.

(c.) Upon request of Superintendent Mullan of the Home Mission Board, Classis appointed a Committee of Supply for the West Hickory Charge. The Committee consists of Revs. Geo. Longaker, J. B. Swartz and Elder W. R. Weaver.

(d.) The following Committee was appointed to represent the Classis on the Interdenominational Committee on the Bible in State Schools of Higher Learning: Revs. H. A. Fesperman, Milton Whitener, J. A. Palmer and Elder W. R. Weaver.

An invitation was extended to the Classis by Rev. W. C. Lyerly to attend the laying of the corner stone of the new church at Concord on Sunday afternoon, November 23, 1924, at 3 o'clock. A similar invitation was extended by Dr. H. A. M. Holshouser to attend the dedication of the addition to Bethany church of the Rockwell Charge, on the first Sunday afternoon in December at 2:30 o'clock.

A vote of thanks was extended to the pastor and members of the First Reformed Church of Salisbury for courtesies in entertaining the Classis in this special meeting.

The minutes were read and approved and the Classis adjourned with the benediction by Rev. H. A. M. Holshouser.

W. C. LYERLY, President,
MILTON WHITENER,
Stated Clerk, pro. tem.

NINETY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSIONS

OF THE

CLASSIS OF NORTH CAROLINA

OF THE

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ACTS AND PROCEEDINGS

ARTICLE I.

OPENING OF CLASSIS

The Classis of North Carolina Synod of the Potomac, Reformed Church in the United States, met in ninety-fifth annual sessions in Grace (Lower Stone) Reformed Church, Faith Charge, R. F. D., Rockwell, North Carolina, Tuesday evening, May 5, A. D. 1925, at 8 o'clock. The sermon was preached by the retiring President, Rev. Wm. C. Lyerly, pastor of Trinity Reformed Church of Concord, from Matthew 16: 19.

Following the sermon the Lord's Supper was administered, this service being in charge of Revs. A. O. Leonard and A. C. Peeler.

At the conclusion of these solemn services the Classis was formally constituted by the President. The Stated Clerk called the roll of ministers and elders and a quorum was found present.

ARTICLE II.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

Ministers—J. C. Leonard, D. D., J. D. Andrew, W. H. McNairy, L. A. Peeler, A. S. Peeler, C. C. Wagoner, J. A. Koons, J. C. Peeler, W. C. Lyerly, H. A. Welker, H. A. M. Holshouser, Ph. D., H. A. Fesperman, Milton Whitener, C. W. Warlick, A. O. Leonard, B. J. Peeler, J. B. Swartz, O. B. Michael, J. D. Maeder, A. C. Peeler.

Elders—H. D. Warlick, J. T. Hedrick, E. A. Hedrick, J. L. Shoaf, E. Whitener, R. T. Lippard, J. R. Hoffman, Esq., A. A. Blackwelder, L. Sink, J. W. Peeler, A. A. Keener, B. J. Summerrow, J. E. Misenheimer.

The following members appeared at later sessions:

Wednesday morning: Ministers—A. Shulenberger, J. A. Palmer, E. R. Hoke, Ph. D., S. Peeler.

Elders—K. L. Long, Clarence Clapp, M. C. Barnhart, M. T. Roseman, H. A. Yost, J. T. Plott, G. H. Geitner, D. M. Palmer, J. P. Linn.

Wednesday afternoon: Elders—J. C. Ikerd, S. R. Warlick, C. C. Herman.

Thursday afternoon: Minister—J. H. Keller.

ADVISORY MEMBERS

The committee on Advisory Members presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

The following elders have been noted present at one or more sessions of Classis: J. W. Hardister, H. W. Bost, E. A. Rothrock, D. A. Seagle, T. L. Finger, R. F. Cline, B. F. Wagoner, R. L. Beck, G. H. Moose, M. L. Penninger, M. G. Lentz, M. A. Foil, M. D., J. H. Foil, J. L. C. Miller, H. W. Haywood, J. A. Peeler, R. L. Holshouser, C. A. Holshouser, C. Fisher, G. L. Klutz, J. D. A. Fisher, T. A. Swing.

Rev. J. M. Mullan, Maryland Classis, Potomac Synod, representing the Board of Home Missions; Rev. R. W. Miller, D. D., Reading Classis, Eastern Synod, the Sunday School Board of the General Synod; Elder J. Q. Truxal, Esq., Westmoreland Classis, Pittsburg Synod, the Forward Movement.

Respectfully submitted,

O. B. MICHAEL,
H. A. M. HOLSHOUSER,
A. A. BLACKWELDER.

The following charges were not represented by elders: Guilford; Second Lexington; Emanuel; West Hickory.

The following ministers failed to report to Classis: Revs. J. Ingle, S. W. Whitener.

ROLL OF ELDERS

Charge	Primarius	Secundus
Corinth, Hickory	G Harvey Geitner	Chas. C. Bost
Guilford	Wm. S. Friddle	Robt. B. Andrew
Zion-Landis	Jno. W. Alexander	J. Press Linn
Bear Creek	Daniel M. Palmer	M. L. Penninger
South Fork	Henry D. Warlick	Jacob R. Warlick
Lincoln	D. Martin Carpenter	J. Clarence Ikerd
Grace, Newton	Clarence Clapp	Jno. W. Hardister
First, Lexington	J. Tilden Hedrick	Edwin A. Rothrock
Second, Lexington	Murray P. Bain	Berchie C. Nance
First, Salisbury	Manlius C. Barnhart	A. J. Holshouser
Lower Davidson	Eli A. Hedrick	Matthias M. Swing
Upper Davidson	John Lee Shoaf	Julius M. Nifong
First, High Point	Edgar Whitener	James R. Young
Heidelberg, Thomasville	Kieffer L. Long	Charles S. Long
Emanuel	M. R. Harris	W. T. Fouts
Trinity, Concord	Rufus T. Lippard	Berry F. Wagoner
First, Greensboro	John T. Plott	W. R. Troxler
First, Burlington	John R. Hoffman, Esq.	Herbert W. Coble
Zion, Lenoir	A. A. Blackwelder	J. Pinkney Rabb
Waughtown	Lewis Sink	Albert A. Long
Rockwell	John W. Peeler	H. W. Barnhart
Winston-Salem	A. A. Keener	Everett A. Sink
Emanuel, Lincolnton	Solomon R. Warlick	Daniel A. Seagle
West, Hickory	Yeodom T. Warren	M. E. Throneburg
First, Charlotte	B. J. Summerrow	Eugene D. Fox
Faith	Milo T. Roseman	Will Casper
Catawba	Claude C. Herman	Adrian L. Shuford
Kannapolis	H. A. Yost	Harvey J. Peeler
Gilead	Jno. E. Misenheimer	Fred Peck

ARTICLE III.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The following were elected officers of the Classis: Rev. H. A. Welker, Burlington, N. C., President; Elder A. A. Blackwelder, Lenoir, N. C., Vice-President; Rev. A. C. Peeler, Winston-Salem, N. C., Corresponding Secretary; Rev. J. A. Koons, Maiden, N. C., Reading Clerk. Rev. J. C. Leonard, D. D., Lexington, N. C., continues Stated Clerk.

ARTICLE IV.
PERMANENT COMMITTEES.

1. Executive Committee—H. A. Welker, J. C. Leonard, J. T. Hedrick.

2. Sunday Schools—B. J. Peeler, A. O. Leonard, K. L. Long.

3. Missionary and Stewardship—Milton Whitener, J. A. Koons, L. A. Peeler, Edgar Whitener, A. A. Blackwelder.

4. Mrs. Rebecca Solliday Church Building Fund—George Longaker, 3 years; J. B. Leonard, 2 years; C. C. Wagoner, 1 year.

5. George G. Solliday Beneficiary Education Fund—H. A. Fesperman, Dr. E. R. Hoke, M. C. Barnhart.

6. Trustees of Classis—C. C. Wagoner, T. L. Hunsucker, Clarence Clapp.

7. Vacancy and Supply—H. A. Welker, J. C. Leonard, J. T. Hedrick.

8. Young People's Societies—A. O. Leonard, A. C. Peeler, J. W. Peeler.

9. Religious Literature—Shuford Peeler, W. H. McNairy, Clarence Clapp.

10. Social Service and Rural Work—J. C. Peeler, H. A. M. Holshouser, J. W. Peeler.

11. Temperance—J. A. Koons, J. B. Swartz, H. D. Warlick.

12. Historical Society—J. C. Leonard, A. S. Peeler, E. A. Hedrick.

13. Forward Movement—W. C. Lyerly, H. A. Fesperman, Edgar Whitener, J. A. Palmer, H. H. Koonts, J. H. Keller, J. Y. Peeler, L. A. Peeler, C. H. A. Rupp, Geo. Longaker, A. A. Blackwelder.

14. Evangelism—A. O. Leonard, O. B. Michael, A. A. Keener.

15. Hopewell Interest—O. B. Michael.

16. Informant to General Synod's Board of Relief—J. C. Leonard.

17. Publicity Press Agent—W. C. Lyerly.

18. Reformed Church Standard Editor and Business Manager —C. C. Wagoner.

19. Auditing Committee—J. A. Palmer, O. B. Michael, K. L. Long.

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ARTICLE V.
RULES OF ORDER.

General Synod's Rules of Order were observed. The President defined the Bar of the House to be the first six rows of pews in front of the chancel. The following hours were fixed for opening and closing the sessions: Meet at 8:30 o'clock a. m., and close at 5 p. m., with a recess from 12 noon to 1:30 p. m.

ARTICLE VI.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The President appointed the following Standing Committees:

1. Religious Services—J. D. Andrew, W. H. McNairy, Lewis Sink.

2. Minutes of Classis—J. C. Leonard, O. B. Michael, A. A. Keener.

3. Minutes of Potomac Synod—A. C. Peeler, L. A. Peeler, J. E. Misenheimer.

4. Minutes of General Synod—J. C. Peeler, H. A. M. Holshouser, John Lee Shoaf.

5. Overtures—Milton Whitener, C. W. Warlick, E. A. Hedrick.

6. Missions—C. C. Wagoner, J. B. Swartz, Edgar Whitener.

7. Benevolent Institutions—J. A. Koons, J. C. Peeler, R. T. Lippard.

8. Education—L. A. Peeler, H. A. Fesperman, J. T. Hedrick.

9. State of the Church—W. C. Lyerly, B. J. Peeler, J. R. Hoffman.

10. Nominations—J. B. Swartz, J. D. Andrew, A. A. Blackwelder.

11. Finance—H. A. M. Holshouser, A. O. Leonard, B. J. Summerrow.

12. Examination and Licensure—W. H. McNairy, J. D. Andrew, H. D. Warlick.

13. Young People's Societies—A. O. Leonard, A. C. Peeler, J. W. Peeler.

14. Press—H. A. Fesperman, W. C. Lyerly, B. J. Summerrow.

15. Leave of Absence—J. D. Andrew, J. D. Maeder, A. A. Keener.

16. Necrology—C. W. Warlick, H. A. Fesperman, J. R. Hoffman.

17. Advisory Members—O. B. Michael, H. A. M. Holshouser, A. A. Blackwelder.

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ARTICLE VII.

COMMUNICATIONS.

1. Copies of the Minutes of Classis and the Potomac Synod were referred to the committees on these subjects.

2. The Treasurer's report was read and referred to the Committee on Audit.

3. The report of the Trustees of Catawba College was read and referred to the Committee on Education.

4. Reports from the Boards of Missions were referred to the Committee on Missions.

5. Reports of the Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home, the Relief Society and the Sunday School Board were read and referred to the proper committees.

6. Other communications were received and referred to the Committee on Overtures.

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ARTICLE VIII.
RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

The committee on Religious Services offered the following report, which was adopted:

To the North Carolina Classis:

Your Committee on Religious Services beg leave to report as follows:

On Tuesday evening, May 5, at 8 o'clock, sermon by Rev. W. C. Lyerly, Rev. C. C. Wagoner presiding, with the Holy Communion in charge of Revs. A. C. Peeler and A. O. Leonard.

Wednesday evening May 6, at 8 o'clock address by Rev. E. R. Hoke, Ph. D., with Elder Edgar Whitener presiding.

Thursday evening May 7, 8 o'clock addresses by Elder J. Q. Truxal, Rev. Dr. Rufus W. Miller and Rev. Dr. J. M. Mullan.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. ANDREW,
W. H. McNAIRY,
LEWIS SINK.

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ARTICLE IX.
PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

Reports were presented by the several ministers of the Classis. The Constitutional questions were asked, and the elders gave satisfactory answers. The reports were referred to the Committee on the State of the Church.

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ARTICLE X.
MINUTES OF CLASSIS.

The committee on the Minutes of Classis presented the following report, which was received, considered item by item, and finally adopted as a whole:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee on the Minutes of Classis beg leave to present the following items of unfinished business:

1. Page 13. (a) Executive Committee. (b) Sunday Schools. (c) Missionary and Stewardship. (d) Solliday Church Building Fund. (e) Solliday Beneficiary Education Fund. (f) Trustees of Classis. (g) Vacancy and Supply. (h) Young People's Societies. (i) Religious Literature. (j) Social Service and Rural Work. (k) Temperance. (l) Historical Society. (m) Forward Movement. (n) Evangelism. (o) Hopewell Interest. (p) Informant to Ministerial Relief Board. (q) Publicity Press Agent. (r) Reformed Church Standard. (s) Guilford Charge Supply. (t) Faith Charge Supply. (u) Catawba Charge Supply. (v) Audit Committee.

2. Page 26. Permission to change name of Reformed Church in Burlington to First Reformed Church.

3. Page 27. Rights of Classis in the Stoner's church property assigned to the Committee of Supply for the Guilford Charge.

4. Page 27. Organization of a congregation at Alamance Mills assigned to the committee of Supply for the Guilford Charge.

5. Page 27. Committee to install Rev. B. J. Peeler pastor of the First Reformed Church of Salisbury.

6. Page 27. Committee to co-operate with the Brick Church Memorial Association.

7. Page 31. Sums appropriated to supplement salaries in Gilead, Rockwell and Catawba Charges on certain conditions.

8. Page 31. Donation of $500.00 towards completion of Hedrick's Grove Church on certain conditions.

9. Page 50. Classis instructs all consistories to comply with amended Article 67 of the Constitution, requiring within ninety days review of all matters referred to them and reports to the Stated Clerk.

10. Special Minutes. Forward Movement Completion Committee.

11. Special Minutes. Committee of Supply for the West Hickory Charge.

12. Special Minutes. Committee to install Rev. J. D. Andrew pastor of the Faith Charge.

13. Special Minutes. Representatives on the interdenominational Committee on the Bible in State Schools.

14. Special Minutes. Committee of Supply for the Emanuel Charge.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. LEONARD,
O. B. MICHAEL,
A. A. KEENER.

1. (a) The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

The Executive Committee transacted the following business during the Classical year: June 11, 1924, received Shuford K. Peeler, of Kannapolis, N. C., under the care of Classis as a student for the Gospel ministry and recommended him for aid to the Solliday Committee and the Board of Education. August 19, 1924, received Rev. George Longaker from Tuscarawas Classis, Ohio Synod; confirmed a call to him from Corinth Church, Hickory, and appointed the following committee to install him pastor: Revs. J. C. Peeler, W. C. Lyerly and Elder A. A. Blackwelder; received report that Rev. A. S. Peeler was installed pastor of the Lower Davidson Charge June 1, 1924, the sermon being preached by Rev. J. A. Palmer and addresses being delivered by Rev. J. C. Leonard and Elder Chas. S. Long. September 26, 1924, dismissed Rev. Walter W. Rowe to Southwest Ohio Classis, Ohio Synod; received report that Rev. George Longaker was installed pastor of Corinth Reformed Church of Hickory August 31, 1924, two members of the committee being present. October 10, 1924, dismissed Licentiate Wm. C. Shaw to Fort Wayne Classis, Mid-West Synod; received notice of the reception of Rev. W. W. Rowe by Southwest Ohio Classis, Ohio Synod. December 15, 1924, received Rev. Elmer R. Hoke, Ph. D., the new President of Catawba College, from Lebanon Classis, Eastern Synod; at the request of pastor and Joint Consistory of the Emanuel Charge, dissolved this pastoral relation from date of January 1, 1925; appointed the following a committee of supply for the Emanuel Charge: Revs. J. A. Palmer, A. O Leonard and Elder Chas. S. Long; accepted the resignation of Rev. Wm. H. Causey as a Trustee of Catawba College, elected Rev. George Longaker to succeed him and fill out the unexpired term, and requested the Synod of the Potomac to confirm this action; on the recommendation of the Solliday Beneficiary Education Fund Committee received Mr. Marvin Jones, of Smyrna Reformed Church, Catawba Charge, under the care of Classis as a student for the Gospel Ministry, and recommended him to the said committee and the Board of Education for the usual aid.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

(b) Report and action of Classis:

The Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Sunday School work submit the following report: Reports from all active schools have been received and give evidence of good work. The Bethlehem school of the Waughtown Charge has been discontinued; while, on the other hand, a new

school with 50 members enrolled has been reported at Hopewell under the supervision of Rev. O. B. Michael. There has been an increased enrollment in practically every department of the work. The Young People's and Adult departments are especially gratifying. Their increase is as follows: Young People's 282, Adult 530. Contributions to Home Missions and to the Publication and Sunday School Board show slight decrease; while, Foreign Missions, Other Benevolences and Expenses show substantial increases.

We are glad to note the gradual increased interest manifested in the Religious Day School, and the decrease in the use of other than Reformed Lesson Helps. We are moved to again call attention to the decrease in Teacher Training Classes. Surely this is a most important phase of our work if we are to have productive schools.

Your Committee calls attention to the lengthy report of the Publication and Sunday School Board to the various Classes. We commend to the consideration of officers, teachers and young people who expect to take training this summer the Summer Schools suggested on the fourth page of this report.

The committee makes the following recommendations:

1. That wherever advisable, local churches employ theological students as teachers and superintendents to direct Summer Schools.

2. That the subjects of D. V. B. S. and Week Day Religious Schools be placed in the care of the Permanent Committee on Sunday Schools.

Respectfully submitted,
B. J. PEELER,
A. O. LEONARD.

(c) Report and action of Classis:

Your Missionary and Stewardship Committee submit the following report:

Within two weeks after the meeting of Classis last year at St. Mark's Church letters were sent out urging upon pastors the importance of preaching upon stewardship and the necessity of beginning payments early upon the new apportionment. In addition to this during the year we have printed monthly statements in the Standard showing how much was paid each month and by whom, and constantly urged upon the congregations of Classis the importance of making monthly remittances. A constantly increasing number of congregations now make monthly remittances.

The following congregations have paid in full: Burlington, Greensboro, Thomasville, Second Lexington, Schlatter Memorial, Salisbury, Landis, Kannapolis, Charlotte, Lincolnton, Salem, Hickory, Lenoir. Of this number ten are missions. While this number is not as large as last year, it is exceedingly gratifying since this

is the first year of the increased apportionments and these congregations in order to pay in full had to pay practically double the amount paid in any previous year. These congregations are therefore to be highly commended.

Receipts on Home Missions this year $4,838.05 as compared with $3,533.10 for last year. Gain $1,304.85; Foreign Missions, $5,497.21, as compared with $4,831.54 last year. Above last year, $665.67. Ministerial relief receipts $660.56, as compared with $592.92 for last year. Publication and Sunday School Board, $429.01 as compared with $425.63 last year.

Sixteen congregations paid nothing on Home Missions and seven others less than ten dollars. Twenty-two congregations paid nothing on Foreign Missions and two others less than ten dollars. The very high contingent accounts for so many being in this class.

Total received on apportionment, $20,397.63, as compared with $15,498.15 last year, a gain of $4,899.48 over last year. This is encouraging but not as good as it ought to be.

We desire to make the following recommendations:

1. That all pastors be requested to present the subject of Stewardship to their several congregations from the 17th to the 31st of May this year, urging the importance of tithing and the urgent need of the full apportionment as a minimum upon which our Boards can continue even their present work.

2. That all churches be urged to make the Every Member Canvass every year and to use the duplex envelopes, in city and country.

3. Again we would recommend that congregational treasurers send in apportionment each month to the Classical treasurer. The ideal way being to make twelve equal payments to cover the full amount, but at any rate sending whatever amount is on hand at the end of each month.

The expense of the committee is $8.75.

H. A. FESPERMAN,
J. A. KOONS,
L. A. PEELER,
A. A. BLACKWELDER,
EDGAR WHITENER.

(d) Report and action of Classis:

The Rebecca Solliday Church Building Fund Committee beg leave to report that the following is the outstanding loan of the fund;

Heidelberg Reformed Church	$900.00
Total Loans	$900.00

Loans paid during the year:

First Reformed Church, Charlotte	$ 750.00
Carried over from last year	1,940.96
Interest received	82.02
Transferred from Solliday Fund	2,051.95
Balance on Hand	$4,824.93

Respectfully submitted,
C. C. WAGONER,
H. A. FESPERMAN.

(e) Report and action of Classis:

Your committee on the Solliday Beneficiary Fund submit the following report:

There are at present ten young men studying for the ministry under the care of Classis. They are classified as follows:

Ursinus College	
Shuford K. Peeler	Freshman
Heidelberg University	
H. Grady Shoffner	Junior
Carey H. Bostian	Freshman
Rutherford College	
Marvin Jones	Freshman
Central Seminary	
Harvey W. Black	Senior
Charles E. Hiatt	Junior
Hoy L. Fesperman	Junior
Sidney C. Safrit	Junior
Eastern Seminary	
Thos. R. Safrit	Junior

John H. Causey is also a student under the care of Classis but is kept out of school on account of eyes. All other students report satisfactory progress and express appreciation for aid given during the past year.

During the year Student Marvin Jones was examined and taken under the care of Classis as a student for the Ministry. He has been a student at Rutherford College during this year but will enter Catawba college this fall. He does not apply for aid.

We make the following recommendations:

1. That Student Carey Bostian be recommended to Potomac Synod's Board of Education for aid to the extent of $300.00.

2. That Students Charles E. Hiatt, Hoy L. Fesperman, Sidney C. Safrit and Thomas R. Safrit be recommended to Potomac Synod's Board of Education for aid to the extent of $150.00 each.

3. That Students Shuford K. Peeler, Grady Shoffner and John H. Causey be recommended to Potomac Synod's Board of Education for aid to the extent of $200.00 each.

4. That Students Charles E. Hiatt, Hoy L. Fesperman, Sidney C. Safrit, Thomas R. Safrit, Shuford K. Peeler, H. Grady Shoffner and John H. Causey be recommended to the Trustees of Catawba College for aid to the extent of $100.00 from the Solliday Beneficiary Education Fund.

4. That, since inadvertently railroad fare was paid one way to one of our beneficiary students, who by contract is entitled to receive $100.00 from the Solliday Beneficiary Education Fund but did not accept same during 1924-1925, the facts be communicated to the Trustees of Catawba College and to the student with the hope that a satisfactory adjustment can be made.

The expense of the committee is $3.00.

Respectfully submitted,
H. A. FESPERMAN,
B. J. PEELER.

(f) Report and action of Classis:

The Trustees of Classis beg leave to report that nothing came to their hands requiring attention this year. One member, Elder J. A. Propst, died during the year.

C. C. WAGONER, Chairman.

(g) Report of committee and action of Classis:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee on Vacancy and Supply beg leave to report that we have tried to locate pastors in vacant charges with a degree of success. But at the close of the Classical year the following charges are vacant: Guilford, Upper Davidson, Emanuel, Lincolnton, West Hickory, Charlotte, Catawba. From this the appalling fact is evident that we have seven charges, embracing sixteen congregations, with a combined membership of 1897, without pastoral oversight. When we face the fact that one-fourth of our pastoral charges, more than one-fourth of our congregations and also more than one-fourth of our membership are without pastoral direction and care, it is high time for us to be aroused to the seriousness of the situation. In view of this situation we recommend that a committee of supply for each vacant charge be appointed, not only to provide services of worship for the people, but with specific instructions to use their best efforts to secure regular pastors for the charges.

Respectfully submitted,
W. C. LYERLY, President,
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

The following committees of supply were appointed:

1. Guilford Charge—H. A. Fesperman, Milton Whitener, H. A. Welker, J. R. Hoffman.

2. Emanuel Charge—J. A. Palmer, A. O. Leonard, K. L. Long.

3. Upper Davidson Charge—A. O. Leonard, A. C. Peeler, J. T. Hedrick.

4. Emanuel, Lincolnton—J. A. Koons, H. G. Kopenhaver, J. C. Ikerd.

5. First, Charlotte—W. C. Lyerly, L. A. Peeler, R. T. Lippard.

6. West Hickory—George Longaker, J. B. Swartz, G. H. Geitner.

7. Catawba Charge—C. C. Wagoner, J. C. Peeler, Clarence Clapp.

(h) Report of the committee and action of Classis:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee on Young People's Societies beg leave to report that statistics of the young people's work have been examined and compiled. We note a decrease in the number of organizations, and also a decrease in number of members. This is likely due to the stressing of G. M. G. and Mission Band work. These organizations are not included in this report. The one condition in our young people's work that demands consideration is that of the wayward young men.

Your committee recommend:

That pastors and consistories place more stress upon young people's work, which will train for leadership and service all the young people of the church.

That delegates be elected to attend the Summer Missionary Conference; these delegates to report upon return to their local society.

A. O. LEONARD,
H. A. WELKER.

(i) Report and action of Classis:

Your Committee on Religious Literature submit the following report:

Very little in a tangible way has been accomplished during the year by your committee. Whenever opportunity presented itself we have urged the use of Reformed Lesson Helps in all Sunday Schools, and the necessity of our homes receiving either the Reformed Church Messenger or the Christian World in order that they might keep themselves informed as to the work of the denomination.

We would like to recommend:

1. The use of "Daily Devotions" by Dr. Rufus Miller, in the homes of our members for family worship.

2. That our pastors challenge the members of their congregations to a more earnest study of the Word of God and that they present from the pulpit or post in a conspicuous place in the church a list of good books such as in their judgment ought to be found and read in every home.

3. That every congregation so far as possible observe Church Paper Day some time during the year and that at least five minutes be given by the pastor from the pulpit in presenting the cause of the church paper.

Respectfully submitted,
H. A. FESPERMAN,
W. H. McNAIRY.

(j) Report and action of Classis:

Your committee has kept in touch with General Synod's Commission during the year and have as far as possible co-operated in the measures of interest to the Classis. The Commission has endeavored to follow up its program of the previous year, and also to initiate several new projects.

A number of theological students were used during the summer under the direction of the Rural Field Worker. This work will be continued this summer. The summer schools for rural pastors were well attended and much good resulted. Thus far no pastor from this Classis has attended one of these schools. These likewise will be continued this year, and it is the hope of your committee that some of our rural charges will send their pastors.

Some of the new projects taken up, were; The Neglect of Local Prisons by the Christians; The Problem of Juvenile Delinquency; The Increase of Crime and Lawlessness, and War; and the World Court. All of these issues are worthy of earnest consideration on the part of christian people.

We recommend:

1. That our vacant rural charges be urged to use students during the summer months, under the supervision of the Rural Field Worker.

2. That all our pastors be requested to render Christian service to Jails, Homes for the Poor and Aged, and similar institutions.

3. That at least one sermon be preached during the year on Law Enforcement, and that the problem of Juvenile Delinquency have our earnest and prayerful consideration.

4. That the Classis use a student in making a survey of Sunday School and Young People's Work in the rural churches of the

Classis, under the supervision and at the expense of the Rural Church Department of the Home Mission Board.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. PEELER,
H. A. M. HOLSHOUSER.

(k) Report of committee and action of Classis:

To the Reverend North Carolina Classis:

Your committee on temperance beg leave to report that we have co-operated with the Anti-Saloon League and Law-Enforcement orders wherever possible. It is gratifying to note that the vast majority of the High Sheriffs elected to office last November stand four-square for law enforcement. We suggest that our pastors continue to present the virtues of temperance and law enforcement to their people.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN A. KOONS.

(l) Report and action of Classis:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Allow me to report that during the year I have served the Historical Society in such capacity as called upon.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. LEONARD.

(m) Report of the committee and action of Classis:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

The completion committee of the Forward Movement, recognizing the urgent and important need of completing the Forward Movement would recommend:

1. That every congregation of this Classis be urged to live the Forward Movement during May and June, to realize the high spiritual ideals and to give every subscriber the consciousness of having met his promise made to God.

2. That every Consistory or Forward Movement Committee in the local congregation perfect the organization for the completion of the collection of subscriptions, and that the same devotion and service that was put forth to secure subscriptions be put forth to collect in full.

3. That the Classical Committee be given power to act in sending ministers and laity to every congregation during May and June whose privilege it shall be to present the cause of the Forward Movement, confer with Consistories and Completion Committees; and that pastors give their hearty approval of the work in exchange of pulpits when their charge is to be visited.

4. That all money or its equivalent that is paid to participating causes paid in prior to June 30th may be credited to the congregation on the co-operative plan.

5. That the official receipts be given to subscribers who have paid in full. These receipts are to be given in the regular services of the church.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. LYERLY, Classical Director.

Much time was given to consideration of the Forward Movement. J. Q. Truxal, Esq., representing the Movement, spoke in the interest of the cause and conducted a conference with the Classis. It is earnestly hoped that this Classis will measure up in the Completion Year.

This item includes item 10 of the same report.

(n) Report and action of Classis:

Your committee on Evangelism submit the following report:

The outstanding work of this committee was the planning and holding of a conference on Evangelism in Salisbury January 20. All ministers were invited to attend and all churches urged to send delegates. Different phases of evangelism was discussed and very helpful addresses were delivered by the different brethren taking part in the program. The attendance was very gratifying but due to unfavorable weather the more distant sections of the church were not very well represented. However, we feel that much good was accomplished and that the day was profitably spent by all present.

We have tried to keep in touch with the Commission on Evangelism and have joined the Commission in what they call the League of Prayer. All minsters and laymen are eligible to become members and are invited to do so. The League unites in daily prayer at the present time for the successful completion of the Forward Movement; and as other vital issues present themselves before the church for consideration, the Commission and League of Prayer join in united prayer for the success of the issue.

We desire to make the following recommendations:

1. That all the churches of Classis so far as possible hold special services sometime during the year of a week's duration or longer, the purpose of which shall be to reach the unsaved of the community and spiritually revive and strengthen those who are already members of Christ's Church.

2. That each pastor make an earnest and prayerful effort to organize in some way the laity of the church and train them for personal work in reaching the unchurched.

3. That our pastors and congregations keep before the people constantly the importance of the "Great Commission" and that we be more zealous in putting into practice His command beginning at the home base.

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. FESPERMAN,

B. J. PEELER.

(o) Report and action of Classis:

As stated Supply of the Hopewell Church I submit the following report:

I have preached at Hopewell Church many times during the past year. I also held a week's special meeting in said church last August. People attend night services well, but day services are not attended in large numbers. A Sunday School was held during the entire past year with an enrollment of about 50 and with an attendance of about 30. About the same number of people who attend the Sunday School attend the preaching services. On account of ill health the Pastor was not able to give much time to visitation and to personal work in building up a congregation. There are a number of Churches and denominations within 2 to 4 miles of Hopewell Church. The work at Hopewell at present is not encouraging for the organization of a congregation, according to the opinion of the writer.

Respectfully submitted,

O. B. MICHAEL.

(p) Report and action of Classis:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

As informant to the Board of Ministerial Relief I have discharged the duties which have required my services.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. LEONARD.

(q) Report and action of Classis:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Press Agent has attended to giving publicity to many of the activities and meetings of the Classis. This has been done largely through Mr. William Sherrill of Concord. The Classis ought to appoint a Press Agent.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. LYERLY.

(r) Report and action of Classis:

The Reformed Church Standard was issued twice each month during the year. The cost of printing and mailing for that period was $740.96.

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. WAGONER,

Editor and Business Manager.

The subject of the Reformed Church Standard was referred to the following special committee: C. C. Wagoner, Milton Whitener, Edgar Whitener. This committee offered the following report which was adopted:

Your special committee to whom was referred the matter of the publication of the Standard recommend that the contract for

printing be renewed with the News-Enterprise Printing Company at Newton for the coming year at $30 per issue, and that Rev. C. C. Wagoner be continued as Editor and Business Manager.

MILTON WHITENER,
EDGAR WHITENER.

Rev. C. C. Wagoner was elected Editor-in-chief and Business Manager of the Reformed Church Standard; Revs. J. C. Peeler, B. J. Peeler and A. O. Leonard, assistant editors.

(s) Report and action of Classis:

Your committee on the Guilford Charge submit the following report:

During the last summer the Charge was supplied by Student W. H. Groff of Eastern Theological Seminary. He rendered acceptable service. Since that time your committee has divided the supply work among the different members of the committee and given all churches two services a month except Fairview. This church has had no services since Student Groff returned to seminary in September. For the present summer Student Hoy L. Fesperman will supply the charge. Special evangelistic services were held in at least two of the churches of the charge during last summer. In one church, Mt. Hope, 26 new members were added. Rev. J. D. Andrew did the preaching. The field is ripe for a good man.

Respectfully submitted,
H. A. FESPERMAN,
MILTON WHITENER.

(t) Report and action of Classis:

Your committee of supply for Faith Charge beg leave to report that Shiloh and Grace congregations were given services twice a month until the arrival of the present pastor, Rev. J. D. Andrew. Mt. Hope congregation was supplied during the summer by students Thomas and Sidney Safrit.

H. A. M. HOLSHOUSER,
C. W. WARLICK.

(u) Report and action of Classis:

Your committee met with the Joint Consistory of the Catawba Charge the third Sunday afternoon in May, 1924, to confer with them concerning the action of Classis with reference to student supply for the summer. Two of the congregations stated that they had arranged, not only for the summer, but for the entire year, unless a regular pastor could be secured, and were unwilling to interrupt this arrangement for so short a time. In view of this fact the Joint Consistory voted to drop the matter.

Your committee has held regular services twice a month at each of the three churches during the year. Communion services were held at the stated times, and pastoral visitation was made.

A week of catechetical instruction was held at Conover with an average attendance of thirty-four. Evangelistic services were held at all of the churches. Your committee was ably assisted in this work by Brothers Longaker and Wagoner. The one great need of this charge is a regular pastor. We recommend that some action be taken to strengthen this charge so that a pastor can be secured.

J. C. PEELER,
A. A. BLACKWELDER.

In consideration of this report item 11 was taken up, and the following report was received and adopted:

Your committee of supply for the West Hickory Charge desire to report that the churches have been provided with preaching services and the Lord's Supper has been administered. Some pastoral visiting has also been done. Series of meetings were held both at West Hickory and at Brookford. Student Ehlman spent the summer as supply and rendered splendid work.

Respectfully submitted,
GEORGE LONGAKER,
JOHN B. SWARTZ.

The following action bearing upon these two charges was taken:

Whereas, The Catawba and West Hickory Charges have long been without pastors, with little encouragement for the near future,

Resolved, That the Classis of North Carolina hereby expresses its conviction that it will relieve the unfortunate condition to effect a re-arrangement of these charges.

Resolved, That a committee consisting of Revs. J. C. Peeler, J. B. Swartz and elder G. H. Geitner be appointed to confer with the several consistories of the two charges, in harmony with the requirements of Article 86 of the Constitution, with the idea of the dissolution of the West Hickory Charge, and the incorporation of Faith Church of Brookford with the Catawba Charge. This committee is hereby instructed to report its findings and recommendations to the Executive Committee by July 1, 1925, the latter committee being hereby clothed with authority and power of Classis in the case. Should this arrangement be perfected, the Executive Committee is instructed to secure from the Board of Missions enrollment of the Catawba Charge as a mission with suitable appropriation.

(v) Report and action of Classis:

Your auditing committee submit the following report:

We have examined the treasurer's records and found them correct.

H. A. FESPERMAN,
J. A. PALMER.

Item 9 of this report was considered in connection with the foregoing report. The report of the Stated Clerk was adopted as follows:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

The Stated Clerk begs leave to report that only the following consistories complied with Article 67 of the Constitution:

1. St. John's and St. Paul's of the Kannapolis Charge approved all the recommendations of Classis except that of making monthly remittances to the Treasurer; in the matter of the apportionment the decision was to raise all they can.

2. The First Church of Salisbury reported approval of certain items on pages 8, 18, 23, including the items of the new apportionment, but did not state whether all other recommendations of Classis were approved.

3. Trinity, Concord, reports approval of the recommendations of Classis except that of monthly remittances to the Treasurer, and states that the apportionments were placed in the budget but not fully subscribed.

4. The several consistories of the Waughtown Charge approved all the recommendations except the item of apportionment, expressing doubt as to their ability to raise same in full.

5. Second, Lexington, approved all matters referred by Classis except that of sending monthly quotas to the Treasurer.

6. First, Lexington, approved all recommendations of Classis except the following: (a) Of the apportionments for Home and Foreign Missions assumed the one dollar per member sums, but declined to assume the plus sums; (b) did not accept the apportionment of 43 cents per member for Catawba College, and took action that this sum does not properly belong in the Contingent Fund of Classis.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

The following supplementary action was taken:

Resolved, That the Classis of North Carolina accepts the report of the Stated Clerk, and calls the attention of all delinquent consistories to the fact that Article 67 of the Constitution requires all consistories to report within ninety days after the annual meeting of Classis to the Stated Clerk their action on all matters from Classis: and this Classis reaffirms its action of last year on all items in the contingent fund.

Resolved, That we overture the General Synod to determine whether the Classis has a right to place in the contingent fund any items it may decide by majority vote.

Resolved, That the Classis hold in abeyance the payment of the 1924-1925 contingent for Catawba College until a deliverance

from General Synod on the question of what items may be placed in the contingent column shall be received.

Items 2 and 3 attended to.

4. Report and action of Classis:

Your committee on organization of church at Alamance Mills submit the following:

We have been unable to effect any organization at Alamance Mills.

Respectfully submitted,
H. A. FESPERMAN,
MILTON WHITENER.

5. Report and action of Classis:

Rev. B. J. Peeler was installed pastor of the First Reformed Church of Salisbury Sunday night, June 15, 1924, by two members of the committee.

H. A. M. HOLSHOUSER,
C. W. WARLICK.

6. Report and action of Classis:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee appointed last year to co-operate with the Brick Church Memorial Association beg leave to submit the following report:

The Classis of North Carolina was formally organized at a meeting in Brick Reformed Church, Guilford County, May 23, A. D. 1831, with four ministers and four elders in attendance. The names of these founders of the Classis are: Revs. William Hauck, John G. Fritchey, Daniel B. Lerch, John H. Crawford; elders Col. Philip Hedrick, Col. John Hoke, Adam Roseman, Esq., Col. Daniel Clapp. Permission for the organization of this Classis had been given by the Synod of the German Reformed Church at Hagerstown, Maryland, September 26, 1830. These men named met on Saturday morning, May 21st. They spent two days and evenings, Saturday and Sunday, in religious services before entering upon the organization of Classis. The record says that on Saturday the day and evening were spent in addressing the throne of Grace, preaching the Word of truth and singing the songs of Zion. Four sermons were preached that day, two by Revs. D. B. Lerch and Wm. Hauck in German, and two by Rev. J. G. Fritchey in English. Sunday was a memorable day for the people of the Reformed faith who had come together, and its memory was cherished through life by those whose happy privilege it was to be present and enjoy the inspiring services of worship. At the first service of the morning Rev. J. H. Crawford preached in English and Rev. Wm. Hauck in German, and he was followed by Rev. D. B. Lerch in English. The Lord's Supper was then administered to a large

number of the professing people of God. Following these prolonged services, Rev. J. G. Fritchey preached a sermon in English. And finally a prayer-meeting was held in the church at night.

Thus it is seen that this Classis began its career in an atmosphere of deep piety and worship. Your committee feel that those who may be permitted to assemble for the sessions of the Centennial year in 1931 should observe the occasion with fitting memorial services.

We make the following recommendations: 1. That Classis appoint a committee to co-operate with the Brick Church Memorial Association in the matter of arranging suitable services in commemoration of the organization of Classis in the said church on May 23,1831. 2. That the Classis hold its centennial sessions in the said Brick Reformed Church of Guilford County, in the month of May, 1931, with the consent and co-operation of this congregation and the Brick Church Memorial Association. 3. That the committee of Classis and the Brick Church Memorial Association be requested to secure a design of a suitable bronze tablet to be placed in the Brick Reformed Church setting forth the fact of the organization of the Classis of North Carolina as above noted, said design to be submitted to Classis for approval at an annual meeting prior to the centennial convention.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. LEONARD,
J. D. ANDREW.

The following committee was appointed with the foregoing instructions: J. C. Leonard, J. D. Andrew, E. R. Everhart.

Items 7, 8 attended to.

12. Report and action of Classis:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee appointed to install the Rev. J. D. Andrew as pastor of the Faith Charge, beg leave to report the duties attended to. The installation services were held in the Mt. Hope Church on Sunday afternoon, February 22, 1925. The sermon was preached by the Rev. C. W. Warlick. The charge to the pastor was delivered by Elder Berry Wagoner of Concord, and the charge to the people by the Rev. Banks J. Peeler, of Salisbury.

Respectfully submitted,
C. W. WARLICK,
B. J. PEELER,
B. F. WAGONER.

13. Report and action of Classis:

Your committee on the Bible in the State Schools of Higher Learning report that we are co-operating with the inter-denomi-

national committee on this matter in the effort to secure the teaching of the Bible in these schools.

H. A. FESPERMAN,
MILTON WHITENER.

The committee was continued.

14. Report and action of Classis:

To the North Carolina Classis:

Your committee of supply for Emanuel Charge beg leave to report that an effort is being made to secure a regular pastor; and that in the meantime the congregations are being supplied by Rev. D. C. Cox at Calvary and Zion, and Rev. A. O. Leonard at Emanuel.

J. A. PALMER,
A. O. LEONARD,
C. S. LONG.

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ARTICLE XI.

OVERTURES.

Report and action of Classis:

Your committee on overtures submit the following report:

(1). Request of the Trustees of Catawba College that Classis provide the sum of $50,000 toward the plans inaugurated to finish the administration building, build a girls' dormitory and make other necessary improvements.

We recommend that the matter be referred to the elders of Classis as a committee with J. T. Hedrick as chairman.

(2). Revs. M. L. Hedrick, D. C. Cox, H. G. Kopenhaver and George Longaker ask to be excused for non-attendance at the annual meeting of Classis.

We recommend that the requests be granted.

(3). Communication from the Board of Christian Education of General Synod concerning its work.

We recommend that the cause of Christian Education be commended to the churches and that, where possible, the giving of special benefactions be urged, which will assure greater accomplishment by the Board of Christian Education.

(4). Request of the Board of Ministerial Relief that Classis hereafter appoint a separate Standing Committee on Ministerial Relief.

We recommend that a Standing Committee on Ministerial Relief be appointed at future meetings of Classis.

(5). Notice of the expiration of the term of Rev. C. C. Wagoner as a member of the Board of Ministerial Sustentation of Potomac Synod.

We recommend that the vacancy be referred to the committee on Nominations.

(6). Communication with reference to the Summer Missionary Conference.

We recommend that each pastor be urged to attend the Conference to be held in Salisbury July 18 to 24, and through consistories and other organizations make an effort to have one or more representatives from each congregation at the Conference for the full time, and that the Corresponding Secretary be instructed to communicate this action to each pastor and Sunday School.

(7). Communication from the President of the Theological Seminary calling attention to the Summer School of Theology at the Seminary in Lancaster, Pa., July 6 to 17, 1925, and requesting the appointment of a committee to co-operate with the President of the Seminary among the congregations for the endowment during this centennial year, 1925.

We recommend that Classis commend the Summer School of Theology to the ministers and members of consistories and congregations, and encourage consistories to make it possible for the ministers to attend it. We further recommend the appointment of the special committee requested.

(8). Request of Dr. J. C. Leonard to be granted the privilege of copying certain articles from "The Historic Sketch of the Reformed Church in North Carolina" for his "Centennial History of Davidson County."

We recommend that the request be granted.

(9). Request of the Rockwell Charge for sustentation.

We recommend that the request be referred to the committee on Missions.

(10). The resignation of Rev. Shuford Peeler as pastor of the First Reformed Church, Charlotte.

We recommend that the pastoral relation be dissolved and the charge declared vacant.

(11). Request of Student Harvey W. Black for examination and licensure.

We recommend that an adjourned meeting of Classis be held in the First Reformed Church, Lexington, on Thursday, May 21, 1925, at 2 P. M., to comply with the request of Student Black.

(12). Invitations for the next annual meeting of Classis.

(a.) From Hedrick's Grove Reformed Church, Lower Davidson Charge.

(b.) From St. John's Reformed Church, Kannapolis.

We recommend that Classis determine the place of meeting by roll call.

(13). Request of the Gilead Charge for sustentation.

We recommend that the request be referred to the committee on Missions.

(14). Request of the First Reformed Church of Waughtown for the appointment of a special committee to consider the matter of the reconstruction of Waughtown Charge.

We recommend that a special committee on reconstruction be appointed.

(15). Request concerning the care of the grave of the Rev. D. B. Lerch, one of the pioneer ministers of the Reformed Church in North Carolina.

We recommend that a special committee consisting of the pastor and delegate elder of the Faith Charge be appointed to build a suitable wall of concrete about the grave of the Rev. D. B. Lerch and that the expenses be paid by the Classis.

Respectfully submitted,

MILTON WHITENER,
C. W. WARLICK,
E. A. HEDRICK.

The committee of elders appointed under item 1 presented the following report, which was adopted: The committee of elders to whom was referred the request of the Trustees of Catawba College beg leave to make the following recommendation: That the Classis of North Carolina subscribe to the endowment fund of Catawba College the sum of $50,000.00, and that said Classis direct its officers to execute its note to said College with interest at the rate of 6% per annum, said note payable within two years.

Respectfully submitted,

JNO. R. HOFFMAN, Secretary.

The following were appointed the committee called for in item 7: Milton Whitener, C. W. Warlick, R. T. Lippard.

Under item 12 Classis proceeded to determine the time and place of the next annual meeting. Hedrick's Grove Reformed Church, of the Lower Davidson Charge, R. F. D. 2, Lexington, N. C., was chosen as the place, and Tuesday evening May 11, A. D. 1926, at 8 o'clock as the time.

The special committee called for under item 14 consists of Milton Whitener, A. O. Leonard, Edgar Whitener.

ARTICLE XII.

DELEGATES TO POTOMAC SYNOD AND THE GENERAL SYNOD.

All the minsters and the elder from each pastoral charge constitute the delegates to the Synod of the Potomac, which meets in general convention.

The Classis elected the following delegates to the next General Synod:

Ministers: Primarii—C. Columbus Wagoner, Jacob C. Leonard, D. D., Milton Whitener, John A. Koons; Secundi—Lee A. Peeler, Shuford Peeler, Wm. C. Lyerly, John H. Keller.

Elders: Primarii—John R. Hoffman, Edgar Whitener, Adolphus A. Blackwelder, J. Tilden Hedrick; Secundi—John W. Peeler, Bury J. Summerrow, Clarence Clapp, G. Harvey Geitner.

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ARTICLE XIII.

MINUTES OF POTOMAC SYNOD.

Report of the committee and action of Classis:

1. Page 5. The following members attended the meeting of Synod held in Gettysburg, Pa., October 20-23, 1924: Revs. J. C. Leonard, D. D., Wm. H. McNairy, J. H. Keller, Shuford Peeler, L. A. Peeler, C. C. Wagoner, J. A. Koons, J. A Palmer. H. A. Welker, H. A. Fesperman, Milton Whitener, C. W. Warlick, A. O. Leonard, B. J. Peeler, A. C. Peeler, George Longaker, Elder Edgar Whitener.

2. Page 10. Synod urges prompt payment of contingent funds.

3. Page 24. Synod's committee on Vacancy and Supply asks co-operation of classical committee.

4. Page 25. Synod's request through its Social Service and Rural work.

(a) Synod urges Classical Co-operation in the use of Student supply during the summer.

(b) That Classis study the needs of county jails and alms houses and seek to supply religious services.

(c) That Synod asks Classis to express itself upon the appointment of a Rural Field Worker for Potomac Synod.

5. Page 33. Synod recommends the cause of European Relief.

6. Page 33. Requests through the Board of Christian Education to Classis.

(a) The observance of the Third Sunday in May as Education Day.

(b) Prompt and full payment of the apportionment for the cause of Education.

(c) The hearty co-operation of every pastor in spiritual supervision of the youth and the holding of Life Service conference.

(d) A suggestion to those arranging the public meetings of Classis as to the advisability of a place for the presentation of the cause of Christian Education by a representative of the Board.

7. Page 33. Resignation of H. L. G. Keiffer as trustee of Catawba College.

8. Page 34. Classis' attention called to the cause of Week Day Religious Education.

9. Page 34. The cause of Near East Relief recommended to Churches and Sunday Schools.

10. Page 34. Synod will meet Monday, October 19, 1925, at 8:00 P. M., First Church, Carlisle, Pa.

11. Page 40. Synod's request as to the Theological Seminary.

(a) Synod urges Classis to contribute to the Centennial Endowment Fund during year 1925 and 1926.

(b) Classis to appoint a committee on Endowment.

(c) Synod calls Classis' attention to the fourth annual Summer School July 6th to 17th, 1925, and asks consistories to make it financially possible for the pastors to attend.

12. Pages 77 and 78. Synod's requests concerning Missions.

(a) A full payment of all Forward Movement monies.

(b) The acceptance of the enlarged Apportionment for Missions.

(c) That Classis call attention of pastors and consistories to the urgent need of physicians in China to be presented to young men in our medical schools.

(d) The cause of buildings for our missions in China and Japan and the Homeland to be kept before our people of means.

(e) The urgent need of the Church Building Funds to be kept before our people.

(f) Synod commends the Summer Missionary Conference as an excellent school of training for the young.

13. Pages 87 and 89. Requests through the Publication and Sunday School Board.

(a) Classis urged to hold one or more Institutes during the year for the training of lay workers.

(b) The cause of Church Vacation Schools and Week Day Religious Education be stressed.

(c) That the congregation establish a Good Literature Department.

(d) The apportionment of 15c per member for the Publication and Sunday School Board.

(e) To secure full and accurate statistics of Sunday Schools.

14. Page 99. The Board of Ministerial Relief urges the payment of the full apportionment.

15. Page 106. Amounts sent down for apportionment: Historical Society, $20.00; Potomac Synod Contingent, $247.00; General Synod Contingent, $327.00; Beneficiary Education. $1,369.00; Ministerial Sustentation, $274.00; Theological Seminary. $754.00; American Bible Society, $106.00; Publication and Sunday School Board, $109.00.

16. Page 108. The second Sunday of October as Young People's Day and a free will offering to be taken for the cause of young people's work.

17. Page 118. The following were nominatend for Trustees of Catawba College; Herbert E. Rowe, M. D., Rev. J. H. Keller, Moses A. Foil, M. D., Edgar Whitener, J. Tilden Hedrick, Rev. George Longaker.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. PEELER,
L. A. PEELER,
J. E. MISENHEIMER.

All the recommendations of Potomac Synod were approved.

Classis advises against the appointment of a Rural Field Worker for the Synod.

The following action was taken on the subject of Near East Relief:

Whereas, Near East Relief, incorporated by act of Congress, August, 1919, is performing effective service to humanity, having saved over one million lives, and is redeeming helpless little children bereft of fathers and mothers, and

Whereas, The remarkable constructive orphanage training program developed by Near East Relief has been commended by the conferences of religious leaders recently held in New York, Chicago and Nashville, approving the official reports of Dr. James I. Vance, special commissioner to the Bible Lands, and by scores of other overseas visitors, and

Whereas, Forty thousand orphans remain in training, most of whom are under eleven years of age, be it therefore

Resolved, That we, the Classis of North Carolina of the Reformed Church in the United States, do hereby approve continued sympathy and support by our Churches and Schools until this great American adventure in philanthropy has been completed.

Classis adopted the following overture to the Synod of the Potomac:

Resolved, That the Classis of North Carolina requests the Synod of the Potomac to change the time of the annual meeting from Monday to Tuesday evening to avoid Sabbath day travel by delegates from this Classis.

The following constitute the committee on the Centennial Endowment of the Eastern Theological Seminary: Milton Whitener, C. W. Warlick, R. T. Lippard.

Classis accepted only the regular 10 cents per member for the Publication and Sunday School Board.

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ARTICLE XIV.

MISSIONS.

Report and action of Classis:

The following papers came into our hands. 1. Report of the Board of Home Missions. 2. Report of the Board of Foreign Missions. 3. Overture from the Joint Consistory of the Rockwell Charge for $400.00 sustentation. 4. Overture from the Joint Consistory of the Gilead Charge for $300.00 sustentation.

On the basis of these reports we desire to call attention to a number of important facts and make recommendations.

1. During the year the Tri-Synodic Board of Home Missions and the Board of Home Missions of General Synod were merged. This arrangement now unifies the Home Mission work of the denomination. Nine missions went to self-support. Financial help for the work was received as follows; $476,000.00 for the general fund; $139,883.00 for the Church Building Fund. $573,153.00 from the Forward Movement.

We urge our people to complete the payment of Forward Movement pledges; observe Home Mission Day the second Sunday in November; see that their churches are represented at the Summer Missionary Conference; and keep in touch with the work through reading of the Outlook of Missions.

2. The Board of Foreign Missions makes a very encouraging report as regards the fruits of the labors of our missionaries. On March 1st, 1925, 78 students and one professor in North Japan college were baptised. All students in Huping Christian college are Christians and 45% of the Middle School students. The same hopeful conditions exist in all the Girls' Schools.

It is with profound sorrow that we note the death of two of our young missionaries, Miss Louise Bolliger and Rev. Paul F. Schaffner. Three missionaries were compelled for health reasons to return to America for a time. Eight new missionaries are under

appointment. There are still five urgent vacancies to be filled. The total offerings received on Foreign Mission Day for Huping Christian college are $34,000.00.

We urge all of our churches to observe Foreign Mission Day in February; that ministers and elders challenge our young people to heed the call for missionaries in the Foreign field.

We call attention to the publication of 'The Martyr of Huping" through the generosity of Elder J. Q. Truxal. "The Story of my Life in Japan" by Rev. Jairus P. Moore will be ready in a few months. These books furnish much interesting and useful information and should be in the hands of our people.

3 and 4. Requests from the Joint Consistory of the Rockwell Charge for $400.00 sustentation and from the Joint Consistory of the Gilead Charge for $300.00 sustentatiion for pastoral support.

We recommend that Potomac Synod's Board of Ministerial Sustentation be requested to transfer the $300.00 granted to the Catawba Charge to the Rockwell Charge, the latter charge to pay $1,200.00 on the salary of the pastor. The Classis agrees to pay the proper proportion of the $300.00 until July 1, 1925, and the whole sum for a year in case Synod's Board declines to grant our request. We further recommend that $300.00 be granted the Gilead Charge on condition that the Charge pay $900.00 on the pastor's salary.

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. WAGONER,
JOHN B. SWARTZ,
EDGAR WHITENER.

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ARTICLE XV.

NOMINATIONS.

Report and action of Classis:

1. Board of Nazareth Orphans' Home: J. W. Peeler, L. M. Peeler, J. T. Hedrick, A. L. Bowers, the latter to succeed the late T. W. S. Grimes.

2. Auxiliary Board of Nazareth Orphans' Home: Mrs. J. W. Hedrick, Mrs. C. E. Dechant, Miss Lena Warlick.

3. Mrs. Rebecca Solliday Church Building Fund: George Longaker.

4. Potomac Synod's Board of Ministerial Sustentation: C. C. Wagoner.

5. Trustees of Classis: C. C. Wagoner, T. L. Hunsucker, Clarence Clapp.

6. Missionary and Stewardship Committee: Milton Whitener, J. A. Koons, L. A. Peeler, Edgar Whitener, A. A. Blackwelder.

7. Auditing Committee: J. A. Palmer, O. B. Michael, K. L. Long.

8. Treasurer of Classis: Milton Whitener.

9. Young People's Societies: A. O. Leonard, A. C. Peeler, J. W. Peeler.

10. Temperance: J. A. Koons, J. B. Swartz, H. D. Warlick.

11. Religious Literature: Shuford Peeler, W. H. McNairy, Clarence Clapp.

12. George G. Solliday Beneficiary Education Committee: H. A. Fesperman, E. R. Hoke, M. C. Barnhart.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. SWARTZ,
J. D. ANDREW,
A. A. BLACKWELDER.

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ARTICLE XVI.

STATE OF THE CHURCH.

Report and action of Classis:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

The Committee on the State of the Church has tabulated the statistics, also read the parochial reports.

"Thanks be to God who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." The Pastors report faithfulness to the tasks assigned. The test of faith is faithfulness. It is true that many desired goals were not reached. Many regret to come to Classis without the apportionment in full. The large arrearages on the Forward Movement are no comfort to us. After all, these financial lapses are largely the result of spiritual lapse. There is a need of the spiritual idealism which the Forward Movement nurtured.

The growth in membership is steady. The net gain in membership is 366. Of the 58 congregatons 37 show an increase in membership, 18 a loss and 3 churches no change.

The number who attended the Lord's Supper was 66 less than last year. No food, no strength to labor. No labor for Jesus, no reward either here or hereafter. The pastors have been faithful to feed the flock. The care for the children is better. We have learned that if we dedicate our children to the Lord, we are under deeper obligation to train them for His service.

We note St. James' Reformed Church, Mt. Pleasant, was dedicated June 29, 1924; also St. James installed a pipe organ. The cornerstone of Trinity Reformed Church of Concord was laid November 23, 1924. The Bethany Church at Crescent was rededicated November 23, 1924. Ursinus Church at Rockwell had cornerstone laid August, 1924. The First Reformed Church of Burlington has voted to rebuild and have Committees at work. The First Reformed Church of Lexington has purchased a new location for the parsonage. The debt on the First Reformed Church of Landis was paid in full. Corinth Reformed Church at Hickory has built a new parsonage at a cost of $12,000. These material improvements indicate that there is a growing church which makes the old habitations insufficient for new times.

There is a large increase in the total benevolences for the year, $55,688 (last year $32,721), an increase of $22,967. Every item of benevolences reports an increase. The large increase is in the columns for Orphans' Home, Forward Movement, and Other Benevolences. The Orphans' Home column did not have all the money contributed for Building Funds. The large increase in congregational purposes was caused by building operations by Trinity, Concord, and Ursinus, Rockwell. These two churches report $54,084 of the $120,081. (Attention of General Synod's Missionary and Stewardship Committee should be called to this.) The value of churches is $100,500 more than last year and the value of parsonages is $6,800 more than last year.

The material equipment of the Classis, Churches, Parsonages, Orphans' Homes and Catawba College indicates that the church has made commendable progress and is being equipped for future work.

The reports state that all the congregational organizations are active. The Sunday Schools are growing. The Sunday School membership now exceeds 10,000. Woman's Missionary Societies are doing a great work. The Girl's Missionary Guilds are training a future leadership. The Christian Endeavor and the Mission Bands are blessed of the Lord. The most distressing part of the whole report is that there are 7 vacant charges, constituting sixteen congregations, reporting a membership of 1,900 approximately this year. Pastoral leadership is essential to the life and the growth of these churches. The Lord's work suffers, the churches lose, when there is no pastoral leadership. But where are the men? It would be more distressing if there was not the bright prospect for Catawba College. There might be some consolidation and re-arrangement of charges. Yet we face the fact that we must have more pastors. And the Church must grow that product for herself.

We note the death of some of the faithful Elders of the Church: John H. Moose, J. Rufus Fisher, Lewis W. Safrit, T. W. Stimson Grimes, James Propst, who having finished their course are now watching us from the heavenly world. Revs. Julius H. Shuford and Paul Barringer, D. D., have passed over to be with the Lord.

The Classis is mindful that we are soon completing 100 years of work as an organization. The beginning dates back more than half a century prior to the organization of the Classis, during which time godly men like Suther, Loretz, Weyberg and others did a pioneer work which planted the Reformed Church in North Carolina. But it is to the future that we look. The glance at the past is to get our bearings, a bit of inspiration that we may do the work of the Lord Jesus in our day. We ought to make a great effort to increase our membership and lead our membership into doing all things Jesus has commanded us. Then we will not be tormented with such words as "unpaid apportionments," "vacant charges," but filled with the Spirit of the Lord Jesus we can meet for the Centennial in the full assurance of faith that the battle is the Lord's and He giveth the victory.

W. C. LYERLY,
JNO. R. HOFFMAN,
JOHN C. PEELER.

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ARTICLE XVII.
TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING.

The next annual meeting of the Classis of North Carolina will be in Hedrick's Grove Reformed Church, Lower Davidson Charge, R. F. D. 2, Lexington, North Carolina, Tuesday evening May 11, A. D. 1926, at 8:00 o'clock.

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ARTICLE XVIII.
EDUCATION.

Report of the Trustees of Catawba College:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Dear Fathers and Brethren: As President of Catawba College, I beg leave to present the following report for your consideration:

I was elected to the presidency of Catawba College and began my work September 1, 1924, almost four months after the last annual sessions of your body. The situation of the college on Sep-

tember 1st was practically the same as that reported to you a year ago, with the exception that the reported sale of the old Catawba College property to the Asheville Universities, Inc., had been found to be a disappointment inasmuch as the supposed buyers were not responsible parties.

In accordance with the report of the President of the Board a year ago, and in accordance also with the recommendations contanied in the report of the Committee on Education, it was clearly stated to me by the members of the Board of Trustees with whom I conferred prior to my call, that the principal work that would be expected of the President during the first year was that of endeavoring to complete the subscription of an endowment fund of four hundred thousand dollars.

At my request the Rev. John H. Keller again took a furlough from his pastorate and went into the Church in the North to continue his work for the endowment fund. After approximately two months Brother Keller felt that the time had come when it would be necessary for him, in fairness to his charge, to return to the work of his pastorate.

The month of September I spent in an effort to organize a campaign through the four Synods, Ohio, Pittsburg, Potomac, and Eastern. I drove over these four Synods in my car, interviewing brethren in the ministry, who I had reason to believe might be efficient workers for Catawba College. In making selections of these I had the advice of Dr. Chas. E. Schaeffer and others. The plan of organization had also been approved by men in whom I had reason to have confidence, especially Mr. George A. Williams, who later conducted our successful campaign in Salisbury. It was his judgment that no better plan could be devised. I was successful in securing the promises of fifty ministers in thirty Classes that they would sacrifice their time and energy in the effort to secure the proper support for Catawba College in their respective territories. I regret to report the plan a comparative failure. Only two or three of the men accomplished anything worth mentioning.

The month of October was consumed mainly in attendance upon the four Synods. From that time on to the Christmas holidays I was continuously occupied in the directing of the campaign, in soliciting subscriptions, and in public presentations of the cause. I had prepared two booklets together with other pieces of literature and during this period had sent out to the larger contributors of the Church, probably thirty thousand pieces of literature. I also kept the cause before the Church by having one or more articles in practically every issue of all the Church papers. While subscriptions were not received as rapidly as they should have been to insure the complete success of the effort to raise two hundred

thousand dollars, yet I was happy to note numerous evidences of a rapidly growing sentiment throughout the whole church, in favor of the college. All in all, I felt that the work of these four months, while it had not succeeded in raising a great sum of money, had nevertheless been a success, in that the way was prepared for complete success in the future. Everywhere members in our church began to say: "This thing must be done, it can be done, and it will be done." On December 29 I went to Salisbury with Mr. Geo. A. Williams, a member of St. John's Reformed Church, Lebanon, Pa., and an expert in the conduct of short-time campaigns. Working under the authority of the Board of Trustees, and with the approval of the Chamber of Commerce and other organizations in Salisbury, we began to gather together an organization for a campaign for two hundred and fifty thousand dollars in Salisbury and adjacent counties. At the time of your last meeting, the plan was to raise fifty thousand dollars in Salisbury. We now planned to secure twenty thousand dollars in each of the five counties bordering on Rowan. The campaign had not advanced far before it was found that this part of the plan was a vain hope. It was necessary, therefore, to give up that part of our program and to try to secure one hundred and fifty thousand dollars in Rowan County. It should be noted here that Mr. Williams did his work well. Tactfully he brought together discordant elements and enlisted the full support of the entire community, with the result that on the closing night of the campaign, February 16, 1925, the reports ran the total secured considerably beyond the goal of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars. In connection with this campaign, also, a booklet was prepared and literature sent to all the members of our church in the state. For this purpose the mailing list of the "Standard" was used. It was hoped, by this method, to complete the campaign within the Classis. Committees were also organized at several points in the Classis who were charged with the responsibility of completing the work in their sections. Some small results were secured from these efforts and the total was brought to within ten per cent of the goal.

During January, February, and March I presented the cause practically every Sunday in the larger churches of Reading and Harrisburg, and found time to secure a few contributions, and also kept in touch with the ministers of our church, and with the organization of workers and the committees appointed by Synods and Classes, never securing any large measure of co-operation. During these months several meetings of the Board of Trustees were held and much important work was done. Plans were being prepared for the girls' dormitory and for the re-opening of the institution. Finally the Board of Trustees were brought face to

face with a great problem. The campaigns had not attained to complete success. The total of four hundred thousand dollars was not fully subscribed. Yet there was so much success as to make it impossible to turn back. The Board found that while they were not fully ready to reopen the college, yet they were forced to do so, in order to keep faith with those who had subscribed to the fund. Accordingly, it was decided to reopen the instiution in September, 1925, and a committee was appointed to finance, plan and carry out the necessary building program. On April 1st I took up residence in the college at Salisbury, and on April 10th contracts were let for the completion of our Main Hall and the erection of our girls' dormitory, W. M. S. G. S. Hall. Many other things needed to be done in order to prepare for the reopening of the institution. Chief among these were the securing of the faculty and student body. After a voluminous correspondence with universities and candidates, the Committee on Instruction made certain recommendations to the Board about a month ago. We are happy to report that we have succeeded in securing what we consider a very strong faculty. The new catalogues have come from the press and the campaign for enrolling students is getting under way. By action of the Board of Trustees every Minister of Classis is appointed a committee of one to work for the enrollment of students from his own territory. The success of the college in its first year depends very largely upon our success in enrolling a large student body. Those brethren who will serve faithfully and give their best efforts to this work will be rendering a most important service to our Church.

The members of the Board of Trustees and the officers of the college are in complete accord in their intention to prosecute the campaign for two hundred thousand dollars in the church at large. They believe that during the coming year this campaign will be more aggressively and more successfully carried on than ever before. Rev. Shuford Peeler has been elected Financial Secretary and will give his full time from May 1st, 1925, to September 1st, 1926, 1st, 1926, to the prosecution of the work, probably in the Eastern Synod. Rev. H. N. Smith, of Marion, Pa., who has done good work for our cause, has been elected as an additional financial agent. He will give his full time from May 1st, 1925, to September 1st, 1926 to this work, in the Pittsburg Synod, completing the work in the Potomac Synod, and perhaps assisting in the Eastern Synod. The President of the college expects to give at least one-half of his time to the work of the campaign in the Church at large. During the past year we have been greatly handicapped in our efforts by the fact that it was the Completion Year of the Forward Movement and the first year of the increased apportionment. Many of our

strongest churches felt that they were already burdened beyond the limit. Congregations that have subscribed thirty, forty or fifty thousand dollars for the Forward Movement, and were making great efforts to secure payments of their subscriptions felt, doubtless with some justice, that their principle business was to devote all energies and efforts to the completion of the Forward Movement. Doubtless it is true that the past year was in many ways the worst in the history of the Church for such a campaign as we tried to wage. With the closing of the Forward Movement on June 30, and after the churches have settled down for a year to the increased apportionment, we believe that the coming year will be more auspicious for our efforts than the past. However, we need to take warning of the fact that there will be at least a half-dozen other campaigns carried on by various Boards and Institutions of our Church during the coming year. The multiplicity of campaigns may again prove a serious handicap. However, we are all determined to press forward with all patience and Christian love, but at the same time, with all the energy and determination that we can command. Of this we are convinced, that it is the will of the whole Church that the two hundred thousand dollars approved by the General Synod is to be given to Catawba College. It remains to "perform the doing of it."

Building operations are under way at the College. Steps are being taken and investigations made looking toward the completion and proper equipment of the institution on a standard-A grade basis throughout. A strong faculty will be there, and we can conscientiously promise to pastors and parents that if they send their young people to Catawba College they will receive an education as good as can be secured anywhere. Above all, we hope that there will be many young men and women preparing definitely for Christian service as ministers, missionaries, or in such other capacities. Our prayer is not that God shall make Catawba great, but that He shall use her greatly. "He that would be great among you, let him be your minister."

We are glad to report that on Thursday, April 26th, the college property at Newton was put on sale by one of the land companies, with fairly satisfactory results. The total amount of the sale was approximately $64,000, which includes, however, the sum of approximately $21,000.00 bid by committee for the Main building and the ground on which it stands. This part of the property therefore remains in the possession of the Trustees. We have reason to believe that it can be disposed of to better advantage by private sale than if sold at auction.

Before closing this report I am constrained to express my deep appreciation for the fine spirit of loyalty of our people in the

Classis, for the many kindnesses of my brethren, for the harmonious support by the Board of Trustees of every movement which was calculated for the advancement of the interests of the college and for the unstinted labors of the Trustees and Ministers. It is but fair that I should make special mention of the services of the Chairman of our Building and Finance Committee, who gave weeks of his time to painstaking study and investigation of building plans, who saved for the college a great deal of money by putting at its disposal all the advantages of his business acumen, and who succeeded in financing our building operations only by pledging a large sum of his own securites. In the whole history of our Church, North and South, East and West, there have been very few instances in which any man has matched the services of this good friend and brother.

My only request of the Classis is that you continue to stand steadfastly back of the College. Much work remains to be done. If the people of our Church will stand by the College now, they shall find that the College will be one of the strongest supports of the Church in the future. Our people have a mind to see this through. Let us look to God in prayer for His benediction upon our labors, and then work on to success. It is His will that we seek to perform. Therefore, we cannot fail, for He never fails.

Respectfully submitted,

ELMER R. HOKE, President.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF CATAWBA COLLEGE.

To the Board of Trustees of Catawba College:

I herewith submit my report as Treasurer of Catawba College:

G. G. Solliday Fund.

Balance, May 1, 1924	$1,460.81	
Received April 30, 1925	1,200.00	
Rev. G. A. Ingle, payment on note	100.00	
Paid to Ministerial Students and Expenses		708.86
Transferred to Rebecca Solliday Church Building Fund		2,051.95
	$2,760.81	2,760.81

Rebecca Solliday Church Building Fund.

Balance, May 1, 1924	$1,940.96	
Note paid, First Ref. Ch., Charlotte	750.00	
Note due, Heidelberg Ref. Ch., Thomasville	900.00	
Interest received on Charlotte Note	14.00	
April 30, Interest received	68.02	
April 30, Unexpended balance of the G. G. Solliday Fund Income	2,051.95	
May 1, 1925, TOTAL	$5,724.93	

Emanuel Pontius Pres. Home Bldg. Fund.

May 1, 1924, Balance	$ 873.20
April 30, 1925, Interest Received	52.38
May 1, 1925, TOTAL	$ 925.58

Library Endowment Fund.

May 1, 1924, on hand	$ 1,528.44
April 30, 1925, Interest Received	91.68
May 1, 1925, TOTAL	$ 1,620.12

Forward Movement Funds and Account.

Report for Year 1924-1925.

Received from H. E. Paisley, Treas.	$ 3,285.00
Received from Home Mission Board	7,594.93
	$ 10,879.93

Consolidated Report Forward Movement Funds.

Previously received from H. E. Paisley, Treasurer	$ 25,666.67	
Previously received from Home Mission Board	37,357.27	
Total to May 1, 1925	$ 73,903.87	

Catawba College Newton Property.

May 1, 1924, Balance	$56,029.64	
May 27, 1924, Surveying	23.10	
April 30, 1925 Commission on Sale	7,659.00	
April 30, 1925, Sale of Property		40,178.00
May 1, 1925, Balance		23,533.74
	$63,711.74	$63,711.74

North Carolina Classis Campaign.

N. C. Classis Campaign Subscriptions	$134,722.00	
Cash paid on Same		1,549.10
Subscriptions Outstanding		133,172.90
	$134.722.00	$134,722.00

Campaign in Church Outside of North Carolina.

May 1, 1925, Total Subscriptions to date	$58,551.16	
Cash received on above		8,614.99
Balance, Subscriptions outstanding		49,936.17
	$58,551.16	$ 58,551.16
Transferred to Building Fund	$ 5,155.37	
Expenses	3,459.62	
	$8,614.99	

Salisbury Campaign.

Subscriptions	$156,000.00	
Cash paid on Same		4,356.50
Subscriptions Outstanding		151,643.50
	$156,000.00	$156,000.00
Transferred to Building Fund	$4,356.50	

Report of Treasurer of Catawba College.

As of May 1, 1925.

G. G. Solliday Endowment	$ 20,000.00
General Endowment	17,000.00
Alumni Endowment	13,689.00
Rebecca Solliday Church Building Fund	5,724.93
Emanuel Pontius Home Building Fund	925.58

Library Endowment	1,620.12
Forward Movement Fund	73,903.87
Building and Endowment Subscriptions	214,551.16
Endowment Subscriptions	134,722.00
Gifts and Accumulations	189,842.74
Athletic Fund	84.27
Bills Payable	28,500.00
	$700,563.67

Invested as follows:

Home Mission Board Notes	$ 20,000.00
Real Estate Mortgages and Notes	53,376.50
Citizens Building and Loan Stock	2,515.10
Salisbury Building	196,884.65
Grounds	25,000.00
Books, Equipment and Furniture	32,362.70
Rebecca Solliday Church Building Fund Note	900.00
Bonds	1,050.00
Catawba College Building and 22 lots, Newton	23,533.74
Subscriptions Outside of North Carolina	49,936.17
Subscriptions in Salisbury Campaign	151,643.50
Subscriptions in North Carolna Classis	133,172.90
Cash	10,188.41
	$700,563.67

Note: Since this Statement was prepared Bills Payable has been reduced by $8,500.00.

Respectfully submitted,

G. A. FISHER, Treasurer.

Report of committee and action of Classis:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee on Education beg leave to submit the following report:

The report of the President of Catawba College, with the Treasurer's report attached, together with a certain overture from the Board of Trustees of said college has come into our hands. From the President's report we glean the following outstanding facts: Rev. E. R. Hoke, Ph. D., was elected to the presidency of the college and began his term of service September 1, 1924. Under the supervision of the Board of Trustees the National Service Association, under the leadership of Mr. Geo. A. Williams, Lebanon, Pa., was employed to conduct a campaign for $150,000.00 for Endowment and Buildings in Salisbury and Rowan County. This campaign was brought to a most successful conclusion on February 16, 1925, with total pledges of approximately $156,000.00.

Commendable progress has been made in the completion of the Endowment within the Classis and throughout the Church during the past year. On March 6th, 1925, the Trustees of the college took action to lay out the grounds, build a Girls' Dormitory, finish the Administration Building, build a complete sewer system, finish the other necessary details about the grounds and buildings, and to open the College in September, 1925. On April 10th, the contract was let for the completion of the Administration Building and the erection of the Girls' Dormitory. A strong faculty has been secured. Rev. Shuford Peeler began giving full time service as Financial Secretary April 15th, and will fill the position as Dean of Men, Prof. of Religion and Bursar in the regular staff of the College. Rev. H. N. Smith, Marion, Pa., has been employed to assist in canvassing for endowment funds throughout the Church north.

On April 30th, 1925, a successful auction sale of a part of the Newton property was conducted, in charge of the Millikan Land Co., of Greensboro.

Your committee therefore presents the following for your consideration and adoption:

1. That Classis heartily commends the President and Board of Trustees for the wonderful things that have been accomplished during the past year, and that we pledge our enlarged support to them in their work of building a greater college in our midst.

2. That Classis notes with pleasure the plan of the college authorities for the completion of the Endowment Campaign during the coming year.

3. In view of the fact that $400,000.00 endowment for the college has now been subscribed, we urge our people to convert their pledges on the endowment into interest bearing notes as requested by the Board of Trustees, with interest to begin April 1, 1925; and that pastors be requested to explain the need of such action on the part of all subscribers.

4. That pastors and elders lend their assistance in enrolling a large student body for the coming year.

5. That Classis advise the Board of Trustees to change its charter so that it may increase its number from eighteen to twenty-four, so as to include representative citizens from Salisbury and vicinity on said board.

6. That Classis join with the Board of Trustees in overturing General Synod, through its United Missionary and Stewardship Committee and Board of Christian Education, for an apportionment for Catawba College.

Respectfully submitted,

L. A. PEELER,
H. A. FESPERMAN,
J. T. HEDRICK.

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ARTICLE XIX.

FINANCE.

Report of the Treasurer:

TREASURER'S REPORT.
RECEIPTS

Congregation	APPORTIONMENT										SPECIAL		
	Classical Contingent	Synodical Contingent	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Ministerial Relief	Publication and S. S.	Beneficiary Education	Theological Seminary	Sustentation	Bible Society	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphans' Home
Balance, 1924	$1,408.47	$ 212.56	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
Burlington	176.64	14.72	221.10	240.07	27.60	18.40	37.72	18.40	7.36	2.76			51.44
Mt. Hope	94.45	9.60		1.00									
Brick	124.80	10.40	7.40	7.40									
St. Mark's	48.59	8.16	10.00	11.10									
Fairview	7.81	.55	8.80	8.80	1.65	1.10	2.31	1.16	.39				
Greensboro	249.60	20.80	346.81	387.73	39.00	26.00	53.30	26.00	10.40	3.90	*79.05		319.66
High Point	173.76	14.48	138.00	133.56	27.15	12.15	37.10	10.00	6.00	2.70			22.00
Thomasville	153.60	12.80	210.54	230.85	24.00	16.00	32.80	16.00	6.40	2.40			
Emanuel	94.28	14.56											47.32
Calvary	45.28	8.72											25.14
Zion	73.83	11.20											23.50
Pilgrim	240.00	20.00	76.00	96.55							10.00		
Beulah													
Bethany	53.28	6.72	5.75										
First, Lexington	263.94	39.84	498.00	498.00	74.70	49.80	102.09	49.80	19.92	7.47			410.76
Second, Lexington	150.72	12.56	172.33	184.85	23.55	15.70	32.18	15.70	6.28	2.35			44.49
Hedrick's Grove	97.92	8.16	7.34									6.45	
Beck's	119.40	15.60	9.45			13.70						7.35	
Mt. Tabor	94.08	7.84	5.10			10.00						7.85	
Jerusalem	26.88	2.24	5.21										
Schlatter Memorial	86.40	7.20	109.62	126.33	13.50	9.00	18.45	9.00	3.60	1.35			
Waughtown	106.56	8.88	50.00	45.00	11.81	5.00	22.75						39.18
Hebron	81.60	6.80	1.60										7.20
Bethlehem	14.13	3.12											5.00
Salisbury	161.28	13.44	263.24	292.49	25.20	16.80	34.44	16.80	6.72	2.52			
Ursinus	119.04	9.92	100.00	110.70	18.60	12.40	25.42	12.40	4.96	1.86			
Bethany, Rockwell	72.00	6.00	45.00	45.00	8.63	5.00	15.37		3.00				
St. Luke's	51.84	4.32	22.77	20.00	6.00	4.00	11.07						
Shiloh	113.28	9.44	35.00	30.25	9.91	12.24	10.00						
Graae, Faith	117.12	9.76	75.00	78.81	12.00	8.00	20.00		3.12				
Mt. Hope, Faith	51.84	4.32	10.00	10.25	2.00		1.84						
Mt. Zion	277.44	23.12	289.75	553.17	43.35	28.90	59.25	28.90	11.56	4.33	24.11	26.60	75.00
Landis	106.56	8.88	161.90	346.83	16.65	11.10	22.76	11.10	4.44	1.66			
Kannapolis	111.36	9.28	154.21	172.17	17.40	11.60	23.78	11.60	4.64	1.74			

TREASURER'S REPORT.
RECEIPTS

Congregation	APPORTIONMENT										SPECIAL		
	Classical Contingent	Synodical Contingent	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Ministerial Relief	Publication and S. S.	Beneficiary Education	Theological Seminary	Sustentation	Bible Society	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphans' Home
St. Paul's	61.44	5.12	66.32	27.00	9.60	6.40	13.12						
Concord	152.64	12.72	74.00	80.00	10.00	5.00	15.64						
New Gilead	57.24	9.76	25.50										
Keller	10.04	4.96											
Mt. Pleasant	76.80	6.40	45.00	30.82	12.00	8.00	16.40	6.34	3.20	1.20			
Bethel, Bear Creek	191.24	16.96	50.00	51.80	30.00	12.32	10.00				9.00		
Boger	68.76	6.24											
Charlotte	122.88	10.24	216.76	247.11	19.20	15.83	26.24	12.80	5.12	1.92		22.20	**104.30
Lincolnton	73.92	6.16	112.71	127.08	11.55	7.70	15.79	7.70	3.08	1.15			
Maiden	67.20	5.60	69.15	69.00	10.50	7.00	14.35	7.00	2.80	1.05			
St. Matthew's	83.52	6.96	75.65	74.50	13.05	5.00	17.84		3.48				
Salem	32.64	2.72	47.25	52.56	5.10	3.40	6.97	3.40	1.36	.51			
Newton	132.48	17.52	182.00	182.67	32.85	21.90	44.90	21.90	8.76	3.28			
Conover	69.12	5.76	50.00	50.00	10.00	6.00	11.17						
Smyrna	17.60	4.40											
Bethany, Catawba	3.71												
St. Paul's	101.76	8.48			10.00		12.76						10.61
Bethel	78.72	6.56			9.86		9.87						5.69
Grace	86.40	7.20	13.94	13.00	3.95		5.00						12.40
Daniel's	52.80	4.40	48.00	48.00	8.25	2.27	11.28						
Hickory	336.00	28.00	612.86	687.01	52.50	35.00	71.75	35.00	14.00	5.25			
Murphy Memorial													
Brookford	74.06	6.64											
Lenoir	60.48	5.04	108.99	125.75	9.45	6.30	12.92	6.30	2.52	.94	15.00	55.50	42.70
Offering at Classis, 1924											14.08	24.08	
Shiloh, Faith (Interest)	90.00												
Hedrick's Grove (Interest)	20.00												
Beulah (Interest)	30.00												
Landis (Interest)	210.00												
Wachovia Bank (Interest)	52.46												
Money Borrowed	500.00												
TOTAL	$8,081.69	$ 763.83	$4,838.05	$5,497.21	$ 660.56	$ 429.01	$ 878.63	$ 327.30	$143.11	$ 50.34	$151.24	$150.03	$1,246.39

* $67.85 for Shiloh, Faith, Church Building Fund.

** $14.30 for Near East Relief.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Disbursements.

Contingent Fund:		
Printing of Standard	$740.98	
Editor of Standard, salary	50.00	
Stated Clerk, salary and expenses	124.10	
Expenses of Treasurer	7.50	
Missionary and Stewardship Committee expenses	9.56	
Press Agent, expenses	2.00	
St. Mark's Church, use of church	10.00	
First Church, Landis, donation	210.00	
Carolina Printing Co., Printing Minutes of Classis	266.38	
L. A. Welch, stationery for Treasurer	3.00	
Rev. H. A. M. Holshouser, sustentation	300.00	
Rev. J. D. Maeder, sustentation	300.00	
Executive Committee of Classis, expenses	11.25	
Apportionment Historical Society	13.00	
Apportionment, Board of Christian Education	42.00	
Premiums Sustentation Department, Board of Ministerial Relief	603.97	
G. A. Fisher, Treasurer, Apportionment for Catawba College	2,209.51	
Interest	144.00	
Paid on Indebtedness of Classis	700.00	
Hedrick's Grove Church, Church Building Fund	500.00	
		$6,247.25
Home Missions:		
J. S. Wise, Treasurer	$4,820.05	
First Church, Lexington, Refund	18.00	
Home Missions, Special:		
J. S. Wise, Treasurer	88.39	
Foreign Missions:		
A. R. Bartholomew, Secretary	5,479.21	
First Church, Lexington, Refund	18.00	
Foreign Missions, Special:		
A .R. Bartholomew, Secretary	150.03	
Ministerial Relief:		
Rev. E. L. McLean, Treasurer	660.56	
Publication and Sunday School:		
C. O. Althouse, Treasurer	429.01	

Beneficiary Education:		
Rev. E. R. Deatrick, Treasurer	878.63	
Theological Seminary:		
J. Travers Thomas, Treasurer of Synod	327.30	
Ministerial Sustentation:		
J. Travers Thomas, Treasurer of Synod	143.11	
Bible Society:		
J. Travers Thomas, Treasurer of Synod	50.34	
Potomac Synod Contingent:		
J. Travers Thomas, Treasurer of Synod	243.00	
General Synod Contingent:		
J. Travers Thomas, Treasurer of Synod	319.00	
Nazareth Orphans' Home:		
Geo. H. Moose, Treasurer	1,187.09	
J. T. Hedrick, Treasurer Building Fund	45.00	
Faith Church:		
T. M. Byrd, Treasurer	67.85	
Near East Relief:		
Cleveland H. Dodge, Treasurer	14.30	
		$15,180.09

Summary of Receipts and Disbursements.

	Rec'd	Paid Out	Bal. in Treas.
Classical Contingent	$8,081.69	$6,247.25	$1,834.44
Synodical Contingent	763.83	562.00	201.83
Home Missions	4,838.05	4,838.05	
Foreign Missions	5,497.21	5,497.21	
Ministerial Relief	660.56	660.56	
Publication and Sunday School	429.01	429.01	
Beneficiary Education	878.63	878.63	
Thelogical Seminary	327.30	327.30	
Ministerial Sustentation	143.11	143.11	
Bible Society	50.34	50.34	
Nazareth Orphans' Home	1,232.09	1,232.09	
Faith Church	67.85	67.85	
Near East Relief	14.30	14.30	
Home Missions, Special	88.39	88.39	
Foreign Missions, Special	150.03	150.03	
	$23,222.39	$21,186.12	$2,036.27

Indebtedness of Classis.

Hedrick's Grove	$1,150.00

Shiloh, Faith	$45.00
Beulah	500.00
	$2,650.00

Interest Due Classis.

Shiloh, Faith	$1,000.00

Arrearages.

Classical Contingent:

Mt. Hope, Guilford, $20.75; St. Mark's, $63.83; Fairview, $11.52; Emanuel, $80.44; Calvary, $59.36; Zion, $165.32; First, Lexington, $214.00; Beulah, $300.48; Bethany, Upper Davidson, $27.36; Beck's, $67.80; Bethlehem, $23.31; New Gilead, $59.88; Keller, $49.48; Bethel, Bear Creek, $12.28; Boger, $6.12; Newton, $77.76; Bethany, Catawba, $79.19; Smyrna, $35.20; Brookford, $5.62; Murphy Memorial, $28.30.

Synodical Contingent:

Fairview, $0.96; Beulah, $25.04; Murphy Memorial, $2.55.

MILTON WHITENER, Treasurer.

Report of the Committee and action of Classis:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee on Finance beg leave to submit the following items for apportionment per capita for the classical year 1925-26:

Classical Contingent	$ .85
Potomac and General Synod Contingent	.08
Ministerial Relief	.15
Publication and Sunday School Board	.10
Beneficiary Education	.20
Theological Seminary	.10
Ministerial Sustentation	.03½
American Bible Society	.01½
	$1.53

The schedule of apportionment for Home and Foreign Missions has been prepared by the Missionary and Stewardship Committee, to which attention is directed.

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. M. HOLSHOUSER,
A. O. LEONARD,
B. J. SUMMERROW

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ARTICLE XX.

BENEVOLENT INSTITUTIONS.

To the Classis of North Carolina:

The Board of Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home submit the following report:

The Board held 2 regular meetings and 7 call meetings during the year. The Executive Committee held 2 meetings. The Board was re-organized at their semi-annual meeting August 6, 1924; J. W. Peeler, President; L. M. Peeler, Vice-President; W. C. Lyerly, Secretary; G. H. Moose, Treasurer. The officers and B. S. Shuford are the Executive Committee.

Formal application for the admittance of 11 children was presented to the Board. Two were admitted, 3 were referred back to those making application, and 6 were withdrawn. Six young people, having reached the age of 18 were dismissed from the Home. One was placed in Caswell Training School. Three of those were committed to the charge of the First Reformed Church of Lexington for education. There are in the Home at this time 19 boys and 17 girls.

Superintendent McNairy has had an exceedingly difficult task in obtaining and keeping a farmer and matron. At this time Mrs. P. A. Peeler is matron of the Girls' building, and Mr. and Mrs. W. Hoy Barringer are farmer and matron of the Boys' building.

Eight month school has been maintained for the Home. The same arrangements of the past years will be continued. From the 6th grade up the children attend the Rockwell High School. The religious training of the Home has received due attention. Bethany Church is the spiritual mother for the Home. Five were confirmed members of the church. Building operations have been the outstanding work for the year. The dairy barn was completed. The old barn and outbuildings were removed. The Girls' Dormitory was contracted during the year for the sum of $35,000.00. This building is nearing completion. The Auxiliary Board recommended the furnishings for the building and a schedule of estimates is ready for individuals, organizations and congregations for the furnishing of the Girls' Dormitory.

The Board purchased the Kepley land adjoining the Home land to the west for the sum of $3,000.00. This purchase of 26 acres makes the total holdings of the Home 146 11-16 acres. The home and certain acreage (Kepley Home) is for sale.

The Board has purchased a new water system, a cypress tank of 6100 gallons capacity to be erected on a steel frame 52 feet high. This will meet the present and future needs of the Home.

The Board is pleased to announce that the road by the Home is hardsurfaced. Members of the Board have signed petition to the State Highway Commission to locate the State Highway from Salisbury to Albemarle nearer the Home when it is hard-surfaced.

The Concert Class under the direction of Miss Clara Lentz visited a number of the churches last year. The Anniversary Day was a great success. Rev. George Stibitz, D. D., Ph. D., delivered

a splendid message. The cornerstone of the Girls' Dormitory was laid by Superintendent McNairy. Anniversary Day this year is Thursday, August 6. The hope is that the Girls' Dormitory will be dedicated.

The Board took note of the death of Elder John H. Moose, Treasurer of the Home from 1903 to 1912; also of Elder T. W. Stimson Grimes, a member of the Board from 1903 to 1925. Suitable resolutions were adopted.

The Board has separated funds. W. G. Hinkle is Treasurer of the Endowment Funds. His report was audited and is herewith attached, showing the Funds and where invested.

J. T. Hedrick is Treasurer of the Building Funds. His report as audited and summarized is herewith attached.

G. H. Moose submitted his report as Treasurer. His report was audited and summarized and is attached.

Superintendent McNairy submitted his annual report. He states that the production of the farm was better, wheat enough to bread the Home was raised. Vegetables were sufficient for the season and for canning.

The Board requests the Classis to continue former instructions to the congregations for material help to the stands for Anniversary Day.

The Board requests Classis to continue its endorsement of the Financial Campaign for the building operations till the work is completed.

The Board regrets to announce the resignation of Superintendent W. H. McNairy, effective on or before September 1st; a suitable minute noting the labors of Superintendent McNairy for the Home is recorded.

The Board calls your attention to the expiration of the terms of office: Board of Managers, J. W. Peeler, L. M. Peeler and J. T. Hedrick; also the death of T. W. S. Grimes; Auxiliary Board, Mrs. J. W. Hedrick, Mrs. C. E. DeChant and Miss Lena Warlick. It is your duty to name their successors.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. LYERLY, Secretary.

Treasurer's Report—Current Expense Funds.

Balance in Banks, May 1, 1924	$ 450.65
Certificates of Deposit	1,214.32
Endowment and Annuities	945.00
Pless Estate	531.00
Dividends (American Processing Co. 8 Shares)	64.00
Offerings, all sources	11,031.43
Total Receipts	$14,236.40

Disbursements:

Salaries and wages	$ 3,218.22	
Land (Kepley Land)	3,000.00	
All current expenses	5,957.48	
Balance in the Treasury, May 5, 1924	2,060.70	
		$14,236.40

In the Cash Balances are:

Piano Fund	$ 212.12	
Gift for Bed	50.00	
The Treasurer paid to J. T. Hedrick Building Funds (see report of 1924)	$ 12,267.23	
The Treasurer received Mary E. Santee fund ($5,000.00) and the Mrs. George A. Wood fund ($1,000.00) and transferred them to Endowments	6,000.00	

The Treasurer holds 8 shares of American Processing Co. Stock.

GEO. H. MOOSE, Treasurer.

Endowment Funds received during the year are:

Mr. and Mrs. George A. Wood, Chambersburg, Pa. $1,000.00

The Funds are as follows:

D. H. Hinkle	$ 500.00
Hoffman-Hodges	2,000.00
M. L. Mantz	500.00
J. M. May	2,500.00
Chas. M. Owen	100.00
Mr. and Mrs. Geo. A. Wood	4,000.00
R. L. Leonard	500.00
Martha Lula Fry	100.00
Mary E. Santee	5,000.00
Total	$15,200.00

These Funds are invested as follows:

Armour and Co., 7% preferred Stock	$2,000.00
American Tobacco Co., 50 shares of common Stock	2,500.00
Hunter Mfg. Co., 7% preferred Stock	1,500.00
Elk Furniture Co., 8% preferred Stock	3,200.00
Shoaf-Sink Hosiery Co., 8% preferred Stock	1,000.00
Cash in Bank (to be invested)	5,000.00
Total	$15,200.00
The J. T. Hedrick Annuity Bonds are	$32,500.00
The dividends and annuities for the year are	945.00

W. G. HINKLE, Treasurer.

The Treasurer of the Building Funds submits the following report:

Received from G. H. Moose, Treasurer		$12,267.23
Sale of Cement		196.64
Commission on Tile		79.88
Interest		64.44
Collected on subscriptions		14,508.67
Loan		2,000.00
Collected on subscriptions (not credited)		76.60
Total Receipts		$29,192.86
Expenditures:		
Contractor and sub-contractors (Girls' Dormitory)	$28,217.01	
All other expenditures in building operations	340.39	
Sewerage disposal plant (in part)	475.00	
Interest	138.25	
Cash	22.21	
Total		$29,192.86

Respectfully submitted,
J. T. HEDRICK, Treasurer.

(Supplement):

The total subscriptions in the Finance Campaign to date are	$20,885.42
The amount collected to date	14,508.67
Balance to be collected	$ 6,376.75

J. T. HEDRICK,
Chairman of the Finance Committee.

Report of the Committee and action of Classis:

Your Committee on Benevolent Institutions beg leave to submit the following report and recommendations on Ministerial Relief and Orphans' Home.

The reports from both institutions have been carefully read and the tone of optimism is regnant. However, we note with deep regret the resignation of Rev. W. H. McNairy as Superintendent of the Home.

Your Committee offers the following recommendations:

I. Ministerial Relief.

1. That Classis make the usual apportionment of fifteen cents per member for Ministerial Relief.

2. That Classis again make provision for the payment of the Sustentation Dues of its present ministers and prospective ministers of vacant charges.

3. Whereas, The financial needs in the Classis of North Carolina through the claims of Nazareth Orphans' Home and Catawba College are imperative,

Resolved, That we request the Board of Ministerial Relief not to put on its campaign for the Sustentation Fund at this time.

4. That Classis appoint a Ministerial Relief Informant.

5. That Classis request every pastor to present the cause of Ministerial Relief to his people.

II. Orphans' Home.

1. That Classis continue former instructions to the congregations for material help to the stands for Anniversary Day.

2. That Classis continue its endorsement of the financial campaign for the building operation till the work is completed.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. KOONS,
J. C. PEELER,
R. T. LIPPARD.

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ARTICLE XXI.

EXAMINATION AND LICENSURE.

Report and action of Classis:

Your committee on Examination and Licensure beg leave to report that no applicants have been referred to us, and we therefore have nothing to report.

W. H. McNAIRY,
J. D. ANDREW,
H. D. WARLICK.

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ARTICLE XXII.

MINUTES OF GENERAL SYNOD.

Report and action of Classis:

No items came before this committee for consideration, hence we have nothing to report.

J. C. PEELER,
H. A. M. HOLSHOUSER.

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ARTICLE XXIII.

PRESS.

Report and action of Classis:

Your Committee on Press submit the following:

We have given reports of the proceedings of Classis to the Salisbury Post and through the editor of the Post to the Greensboro Daily News and the Charlotte Observer.

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. FESPERMAN,
W. C. LYERLY.

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ARTICLE XXIV.

NECROLOGY.

Report and action of Classis:

THE REV. PAUL BARRINGER, D. D.

The subject of this sketch was born near Mt. Pleasant, Cabarrus County, North Carolina, September 16, 1850.

His parents were members of the Evangelical Lutheran Church and, as a youth he received instruction in that faith. As a boy, he received the benefits of education afforded by the public school system of his day, which, however, was not very extensive. Later he entered the Academic department of the North Carolina Lutheran College at Mt. Pleasant. From what we are able to learn as to this, he did not complete the full course as offered by that institution. It also appears that he attended Catawba College (at that time a High School) for one term. He then spent some time on the farm and taught in the public schools of his county a few months each year. At the age of 23 years he was married to Mary J. Foil on Christmas day, 1873. To this union was born one son.

About this time, or even before, he felt that he was called to be a Minister of the Gospel. Although having been brought up in the Lutheran faith, he was not in sympathy and accord with the interpretation of his church on the subject of consubstantation as relating to the Lord's Supper. His views were more in harmony, yea, in perfect accord with the symbolism of the Eucharist as held by the Reformed Church. His wife being of a prominent and staunch Reformed family, it proved an easy matter for him to connect himself fully with the Reformed Church. It was not his happy lot, however, to enjoy this new and fuller communion of faith with his wife very long, for in less than three years after his marriage, his wife was taken from him by death, departing this life September 10th, 1876. However, an infant son was left him.

Soon after this sad bereavement, the conviction became all the stronger that he should preach the Gospel of his Lord and Master. But at the same time he felt the need of greater educational advantages. So, disposing of his material possessions and providing a home for his baby boy with his immediate relatives, he took himself to the College of the Reformed Church at Tiffin, Ohio, where he spent five years in College and the Theological Seminary (Heidelberg). It being at a time when travelling long distances was both expensive and inconvenient, he came back home probably but twice during these five years, working during the months of vacation at whatever his hands found to do.

While prosecuting his work in the Seminary at Tiffin. Ohio, his little son Charlie was taken seriously ill, and died ere his father could get to him. So with the coming of the Spring of 1881, Paul Barringer returned a Licentiate to his native state, but not to home nor family, for now he had neither. He was again just where he had been seven or eight years before, only that he had the sacred and blessed memory of a sainted wife and child. And who can say but that he had a stronger faith by reason of his trials and loss?

He was given a call by the Mt. Zion and Gilead congregations to become their pastor, which call he accepted and served these congregations for ten years, 1881-1891. During this pastorate Rev. Barringer organized a congregation and built a new church (St. Paul's) at Enochville, N. C., and served this congregation also until 1891. During these years spent in the pastoral work, he again recognized the need of a help-mate, and conferred his affections upon a sister of his former wife. Thus it was that on March 27th, 1888, he was united in wedlock with Alice E. Foil, to which union eight children were born, seven of whom are still living. Immediately after severing his relations with the Mt. Zion and Gilead congregations, he took up the work at Concord, N. C., which congregation together with the New Gilead congregation, was constituted the Concord Charge, and served this charge as pastor until the year 1894. After severing his relations with the Concord Charge his next field of labor was the East Rowan Charge, which he served 1894-1897. During this pastorate he organized a congregation at Mt. Pleasant, and for a short period of time he served this new congregation in connection with his regular work in the East Rowan Charge.

Then St. James', Mt. Pleasant, and the New Gilead congregations having been constituted a charge, Dr. Barringer became the pastor and served in that capacity until the year 1900. While he was still pastor of the East Rowan Charge he moved his family to Mt. Pleasant, (October, 1896) where he continued to reside until he was called from the Church militant to the Church triumphant.

During his sojourn at Mt. Pleasant and while serving the New Gilead Charge he became interested in the cotton mill business; he helped to organize the Kindley Mfg. Co. But soon after he disposed of his interests in that company, organized another company and built the Tuscarora Cotton Mills at the eastern end of the town of Mt. Pleasant. He was Secretary of this organization until 1920. When he retired from the office he was suceeded in office by his son, O. A. Barringer, a deacon of St. James' Reformed Church. Soon after retiring from the active ministry he was for the second time bereft of his bosom companion. His second wife, Alice Foil Barringer, died June 30th, 1902.

For the next eight years he lived with his children in the Barringer home at Mt. Pleasant, until most of them had married and set up homes of their own. November 2, 1910, he united in marriage with Mrs. Alice Kluttz, of Rowan County.

It was by reason of declining health that Dr. Barringer resigned from his office in the Tuscarora Cotton Mills, and during the few remaining years of his life gradually weakened; the last year in particular he was very feeble, though not called upon to endure much suffering. During this time loving and faithful hands ministered unto him. On February 10th, 1925, the weakened body ceased its functioning, the spirit departed its tenement of clay, and the following afternoon, February 11th, amid a large concourse of friends and relatives his remains were gently borne into the last one of his organized churches—though not the building he helped to erect. His was the first funeral in the new church.

A number of ministers of the Reformed Church, as well as pastors of other churches, were present. The funeral sermon was preached by the pastor of St. James' Church, Rev. C. W. Warlick, from the passages as found in Job 14: 14, "If a man die, shall he live again?"; and Rev. 1: 18, "I am he that liveth and was dead." Near the close of the bright but short winter day his remains were laid alongside of his departed wife, Alice, in the Mt. Pleasant cemetery to await the final awakening. He left to follow him an aged brother, his widow, four daughters, and three sons.

Respectfully submitted,

C. W. WARLICK,
H. A. FESPERMAN,
JOHN R. HOFFMAN.

Following the vote of adoption, while the members of Classis stood reverently, prayer was offered by Rev. Dr. H. A. M. Holshouser.

ARTICLE XXV.

MISCELLANEOUS.

At the final session of Classis the following action was taken:

Resolved, That the Treasurer of Classis be instructed to pay to the treasurer of Lower Stone Church the sum of ten dollars to defray the expenses of this annual meeting of Classis, and that a vote of thanks be extended to the Lower Stone congregation for its kind and generous hospitality.

The following items of finance were referred to the Committee on Finance for apportionment: Stated Clerk's salary and expenses, $112.56; Treasurer's salary and expenses, $108.30; general contingent, $200.00; printing the Minutes of Classis, $350.00; Church Building operations, $700.00; Reformed Church Standard, $800.00; Board of Christian Education, $42.00; Board of Ministerial Relief, $625.00.

In the election for delegates to General Synod the President appointed the following as tellers: Milton Whitener, H. A. Fesperman, Edgar Whitener, A. A. Blackwelder.

The Stated Clerk was instructed to note the time of the arrival of delegates at Classis.

The following action was taken in the interest of the Gilead Charge:

Whereas, Conditions have arisen in the Gilead Charge which under proper supervision by Classis may be alleviated,

Resolved, That a committee consisting of Revs. W. C. Lyerly, C. W. Warlick and Elder R. T. Lippard, be appointed to act as advisors for Classis in such matters as may be brought to their attention in conferences with the Consistories of the two churches and also the Joint Consistory of the charge.

At the first session of Classis the pastor loci delivered an address of welcome, which was responded to by the President.

The following brethren were introduced to Classis during its sessions: Rev. Rufus W. Miller, D. D., General Secretary of General Synod's Sunday School Board; Rev. James M. Mullan, Superintendent of the Department of the East, General Synod's Board of Home Missions; J. Q. Truxal, Financial Secretary of the Forward Movement Commission; J. F. Hurley, Esq., Editor of the Salisbury Post.

The Stated Clerk was requested to send letters of greeting and sympathy to our aged ministers, Revs. Michael L. Hedrick, John Ingle and Anthony Shulenberger.

The President of Classis was instructed to appoint prior to the next annual meeting of Classis chairmen of the following committees: Minutes of General Synod, of Potomac Synod, of Classis,

Missions, Benevolent Institutions, Ministerial Relief, Education, State of the Church, Press, Young People's Societies, Necrology, Attention is called to the standing rule of Classis in regard to sending reports to these several chairmen and monies to the Treasurer at least five days before the annual meeting, (this year ten days).

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ARTICLE XXVI.

RESUMPTION AND CLOSE.

The Committee on Leave of Absence offered the following report, which was adopted:

Your Committee on Leave of Absences beg lave to report that the following persons were excused to go home: K. L. Long, E. A. Hedrick, on Wednesday evening, G. H. Geitner, Clarence Clapp, Edgar Whitener, Daniel Palmer, Rufus Lippard, Rev. John H. Keller, Rev. Shuford Peeler, John Lee Shoaf, Lewis Sink, H. A. Yost on Thursday evening.

Respectfully submitted,
J. D. ANDREW,
J. D. MAEDER,
A. A. KEENER.

At the final session Friday morning, all business having been transacted, the roll was called and the following were absent without having been granted leave of absence: A. Shulenberger, J. T. Plott, J. R. Hoffman, S. R. Warlick, J. E. Misenheimer. The Minutes were read and approved, and the Classis adjourned in form.

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ARTICLE XXVII.

ADJOURNMENT.

The Classis adjourned finally Friday at 12 o'clock noon, May 8th, to meet in adjourned session in the First Reformed Church, Lexington, North Carolina, May 21, A. D. 1925, at 2 o'clock P. M., and in 96th annual sessions in Hedrick's Grove Reformed Church, Lower Davidson Charge, R. F. D. 2, Lexington, North Carolina, Tuesday May 11, A. D., 1926, at 8 o'clock P. M.

H. A. WELKER, President,
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

Attest: Official copy from the original Minutes.
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS

NAME OF CHARGE	NAME OF SCHOOL	Name and Address of General Superintendent	SUNDAY SCHOOL MEMBERSHIP																CONTRIBUTIONS				
			Sunday School Officers	Sunday School Teachers	Cradle Roll (Ages 1, 2, 3)	Beginners (4,5)	Primary (6, 7, 8)	Junior (9, 10, 11)	Intermediate (12, 13, 14)	Senior (15, 16, 17)	Young People (18-23)	Adults (24 on)	Home Department	Total S. S. Enrollment	Average Attendance	In Full Church Membership	Confirmed During Year	Teacher Training Students	Pupils in Summer Religious Day Schools	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Publication and S. S. Board	Other Benevolences	Support of School	Do You Use Reformed Lesson Helps?
Salisbury	First	W. R. Bostian, Salisbury	8	13	34	28	25	17	15	18	15	114	26	313	185	156	17	6			11		45	532	Yes
Lexington	First	J. T. Hedrick, Lexington	8	16		41	60	115	84	72	58	124		578	304	375	32		43		150		237	529	Yes
Kannapolis	St. Paul's	Hugh Yost, Mooresville	6	8			14	12	7	17		39		103	57	58	1	7					2	75	Yes
Kannapolis	St. John's	H. J. Peeler, Kannapolis	5	10		18	42	14	14	14	40	42		199	139	104	5					12	44	650	Yes
Lenoir	Zion	K. A. Link, Lenoir	4	7			17	7	9		26	12		86	60	51	2						183	76	Yes
Zion-Landis	Zion	B. S. Shuford, China Grove	9	15		45	50	20	25	40	36	100	4	340	185	210	11						440	200	Yes
Zion-Landis	Landis	O. L. Linn, Landis	9	9		11	30	26	13	11	15	21		145	112	91		5					250	292	Yes
Rockwell	Ursinus	J. Y. Peeler, Rockwell	5	11	11	20	22	28	30	21		40		188	103	104	6					3	57	121	Yes
Rockwell	Bethany		3	6	5	6	10	12	14	8		21		85	77	48	6			10	20	8	25	76	Yes
Rockwell	St. Luke's		4	5	6	6	8	10		12		18		69	44	46	5			6	10	5	72	44	Yes
Faith	Shiloh	T. M. Byrd, Salisbury	3	14	19	18	26	29		48		19		176	136	120	18			12	10		738	343	Yes
Faith	Grace	C. V. Kluttz, Gold Hill	5	9	11	15	20	13	9		44	78		204	102	146	4					8	20	185	Yes
Faith	Mt. Hope	W. A. Casper, Salisbury	4	8	14	10	17	26	24		23	43		169	74	75	12							111	Yes
South Fork	St. Paul's	Geo. D. Herman, Newton	4	7		4	20	21	13	11	14	22		116	58	35	13			5	10		18	65	Yes
South Fork	Grace	O. Blackwelder, Lincolnton	4	6			10	13		6	14	23		76	41	28	4			3	10		15	75	No
South Fork	Bethel	Gordon Whitener, Hickory	3	4		5	5	15	13	9	6	25		85	48	46	4			5	7		19	47	Yes
South Fork	Daniel's	J. D. Warlick, Vale	4	4		8	6	5	4		4	29		64	35	41				8	10		20	70	Yes
West Hickory	Brookford	O. H. Hunt, Brookford	3	6		18	16	23	12	15		25		118	95	35	16							190	Yes
West Hickory	Murphy Memorial	J. C. DeRhodes, Hickory	2	3		6	11	5	11					38	24	11								15	Yes
Concord	Trinity	J. O. Moose, Concord	10	12	24	17	26	20		37	12	72	29	259	136	140							158	268	Yes
Charlotte	First	B. J. Summerrow, Charlotte	5	12	10	15	30	10	8	5	20	29		144	101	98	9					16	50	275	Yes
Newton	Grace	W. A. Reinhardt, Newton	7	12	25	18	9	23	21	25		48		188	99	90	5					22	130	216	Yes
Greensboro	First	C. W. Holshouser, Greensboro	11	11	32	60	40	50	45	40	35	200		524	300	220	14			300			350	750	Yes
Lincoln	Memorial	A. M. Ikard, Maiden	6	6	7	8	4	5	5	4	8	31		84	60	56	2			10		18	210	86	Yes
Lincoln	St. Matthew's	D. F. Campbell, Lincolnton	6	5	7	8	7	9	11	10	9	29		101	62	59	7			10			71	51	Yes
Waughtown	First	A. W. Linville, Winston-Salem	7	12	15	15	18	22	10	10	39	44		192	124	140	1						113	258	Yes
Waughtown	Hebron	Raymond Livengood, Winston-Salem	5	8		17	11	10	10			26		87	65	70	20						26	20	Yes
Waughtown	Bethlehem																								Yes
Catawba	Trinity	A. L. Shuford, Conover	3	7		9	14	12	5	16	17	26		109	65	72	11						112	90	Yes

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Catawba	Smyrna	Ivy Edwards, Catawba	3	7		6	8	9	12	6	10	30		85	50	40								28	
Catawba	Bethany	Earl Reinhardt, Newton	3	4		26			12		10	15		50	30	25								14	Yes
Burlington	First	Herbert Coble, Burlington	4	10	19	29	18	27	33	36	27	102		305	204	156	17						25	388	Yes
Upper Davidson	Pilgrim	J. T. Leonard, Lexington	7	8	10	19	25	12	14	21	26	78		220	125	101	10				37		114	186	Yes
Upper Davidson	Beulah	E. R. Everhardt, Welcome	5	8	12	15	35	30	24	25	75	75		304	138	229	10						40	179	Yes
Upper Davidson	Bethany	R. L. Shoaf, Wallburg	5	8	6	9	14	8	13	17	11	23		114	56	79	4						25	126	No
Lincolnton	Emanuel	C. C. Leonard, Lincolnton	4	6			10	15	7	14		23		79	54	52								99	Yes
2nd Lexington	Second	T. A. Swing, Lexington	5	9	68	52	36	61	28	35	68	80		442	271	133	25	8	124				206	531	Yes
Guilford	Brick	B. B. Greeson, Gibsonville	4	5	25	16		28			23	67		168	52	80							33	19	No
Guilford	Mt. Hope	J. C. Andrew, Greensboro	4	9	60	35	30	18	18	35		50		259	100	150	25						35	60	Yes
Guilford	St. Mark's	C. E. Rumbley, Burlington	4	7		15	12	10	14	12	11	38		123	52	68	3				50		5	25	Yes
Hickory	Corinth	G. C. Warlick, Hickory	8	14	50	40	34	36	24	34	32	54		326	174	159	26			10	200	34	300	604	Yes
Winston-Salem	Schlatter Memor'l	A. A. Keener, Winston-Salem	10	12	22	33	43	35		25	30	42		252	130	100	16						100	150	Yes
Winston-Salem	Hopewell	Thos. Lambeth, Winston-Salem	3	5		8		10			6	18		50	30										
Lower Davidson	Beck's	Will Greer, Lexington	5	7			23	19	19	30	14	50		167	106	90	10					14	29	95	Yes
Lower Davidson	Hedrick's Grove	Earl Beck, Lexington	4	7			31	29	24	23	17	54		189	85	130	32							80	Yes
Lower Davidson	Mt. Tabor	J. C. Crotts, Lexington	4	6			40	26	23	23	12	51		185	110	75	9							52	Yes
Thomasville	Heidelberg	W. G. Morris, Thomasville	7	10	22	25	46	9	22		35	54		230	115	105	12						87	92	Yes
Emanuel	Emanuel	W. T. Fouts, Thomasville	6	8		25	15	25	9	15	75	72		250	130	200				34	7		15	60	No
Emanuel	Calvary	R. L. Lopp, Thomasville	5	5			40	45	35			56		186	65	160	10							6	Yes
Emanuel	Zion	Earlie Jones,	5	10			60	25	40			20		160	75	100								125	Yes
High Point	First	Edgar Whitener, High Point	7	14	32		76	52	40			115		336	170	126	16					12	64	519	Yes
Bear Creek	St. James	Lee Moose, Mt. Pleasant	4	11		11	6	23	15	28	10	21		129	85	75	2				20	108	295	179	Yes
Bear Creek	Bethel	H. C. Lentz, Gold Hill	4	13			41	12		40	44	72		226	135	185	11			9	156	100	72	15	Yes
Bear Creek	Boger	Cletus Kluttz, Rockwell	4	7		18	8	16			23	36		102	62	48						56	41	64	Yes
Gilead	New Gilead	Fred Neisler, Concord	5	10		9	5	15	40	12		26		122	60	85								60	Yes
Gilead	Keller	Aaron Cook, Concord	4	7		9	12	8			10	10		60	30	45								40	Yes
		TOTAL FOR THE CLASSIS	286	473	546	800	1236	1176	878	880	1004	2632	59	9969	5587	5403	463	26	167	422	658	466	4891	9690	Yes

CLASSICAL STATISTICAL REPORT OF YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES

CONGREGATION	NAME OF SOCIETY	NAME AND ADDRESS OF SECRETARY	MEMBERSHIP				CONTRIBUTIONS			
			Enrollment	At College	Preparing for Christian Life Service	Delegates at Conferences and Conventions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Young People's Department Publication and S. S. Board	Local Church and Society
First, Salisbury	Y. P. S. C. E.	Carl L. Lentz, S. Church St., Salisbury, N. C.	30	2	2	3	$	$		$ 40.00
First, Lexington	Y. P. S. C. E.	Miss Margaret Parker, Lexington, N. C.	70	7	1	2	$ 53.00			17.00
St. John's	Y. P. S. C. E.	Miss Martha Belk, Kannapolis, N. C.	15			6				
St. Paul's	Y. P. S. C. E.	Miss Leona Deal, Mooresville, N. C.	20	3		2				
First, Waughtown	Y. P. S. C. E.	Berley Swaim, S. Art St., Winston-Salem, N. C.	27							
First, Charlotte	Y. P. S. C. E.	Miss Elizabeth Summerrow, Charlotte, N. C.	22	1		2		5.00		10.00
Bethel	Girls' Guild	Miss Brauer Penninger, Mt. Pleasant, N. C.	17	1		1	20.00	5.00		
Corinth, Hickory	Y. P. S. C. E.	Miss Ruth Mize, R. F. D. 2, Hickory, N. C.	29	4	3		5.00	5.00		12.00
First, Burlington	Y. P. S. C. E.	Miss Mattie Clapp, Burlington, N. C.	40	1	3		10.00			50.00
First, Burlington	Jr. C. E.	Miss Nancy Moody, Burlington, N. C.	46							6.00
Second, Lexington	Y. P. S. C. E.	Baxter Cope, Nokomis Mill, Lexington, N. C.	78	1		2				39.00
Second, Lexington	Jr. C. E.	Miss Genevieve Craver, R. 2, Lexington, N. C.	39							4.00
First, Greensboro	Y. P. S. C. E.	Miss Ethel Greeson, 906 Caldwell St., Greensboro, N. C.	30	1	1	4	10.00			25.00
First, Greensboro	Jr. C. E.	Mrs. Chas. Pitchford, W. Lee St., Greensboro, N. C.	35				5.00			10.00
Schlatter Memorial	Philathea	Miss Clara Rothrock, Mornmouth St., Winston-Salem	30			2				20.00
Schlatter Memorial	Baraca	Odell Thompson, Arcadia Ave., Winston-Salem	25			2				20.00
Schlatter Memorial	Jr. C. E.	Mrs. O. B. Michael, Hollywood St., Winston-Salem	30			1				2.00
Schlatter Memorial	C. Y. P. U.	Miss Mae Krouse, Schwarze St., Winston-Salem, N. C.	30							5.00
		TOTALS FOR THE CLASSIS	613	21	10	26	$113.00	$15.00		$259.00

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MINISTER	POST OFFICE ADDRESS	Name of Charge and Congregation	COMMUNICANT MEMBERS															Contributions, Including Congregation and all Organizations										Val. Property	
			Membership Last Report	Gains			Losses			Present Membership	Communed During the Year	(2) Unconfirmed Members	Infant Baptisms	Deaths Unconfirmed	Students for Ministry	Total S. S. Enrollment Including Officers, Teachers, Scholars, Home Dept. and Cradle Roll.	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	*Education	Ministerial Relief	Orphans' Homes	Forward Movement Budget	Other Denominational Benevolences	Benevolences Outside of Denomination	Total of All Benevolences	Congregational Purposes	Churches	Parsonages
				(1) Confirmed	Certificate	Renewal of Profession	Dismissed	Deaths	Erasure of Names																				
John Ingle	Green Park, N. C.	Retired																											
Michael L. Hedrick	Lexington, N. C., R. 6																												
Jacob C. Leonard, D. D.	Lexington, N. C.	First, Lexington	498	42	13	4	10	4	23	520	461	85	9	2		578	566	745	301	74	237	681	4,453	75	7,132	6,112	30,000	4,000
		Shiloh	118	18	5		2		1	138	113	65	6			176	35	30			175				240	600	50,000	1,500
James D. Andrew	Salisbury, N. C., R. 3	Grace	122	4	3		1	4		124	123	68	4			204	75	92	20	12	195	75	127		596	720	20,000	
	Faith Charge	Mt. Hope	54	12						66	53	25	3			157		5			180				185	231	15,000	
Wm. H. McNairy	Crescent, N. C.	Supt. N. O. Home																											
John H. Keller	China Grove, N. C.	Mt. Zion	290	12	2		7	1		296	175	175	10			340	500	650		18	820	423	400		2,811	1,200	30,000	3,000
	Zion-Landis Charge	First, Landis	111	12	5					128	112	45	11			145	162	300	3,500		442		404		4,459	4,470	30,000	
*Shuford Peeler	Charlotte, N. C.	First, Charlotte	128	9	8		9		6	130	98	40	7			144	216	267	36	18	225	200	142	20	1,124	1,860	48,000	7,000
Anthony Shulenberger	China Grove, N. C.	Retired																											
Lee A. Peeler	Kannapolis, N. C.	St. John's, Kannapolis	116	5	5	1	2		3	122	119	33	5	1	1	199	191	210	116	17	102	162	174	75	1,047	1,938	50,000	8,000
	Kannapolis Charge	St. Paul's	64	1	4		2			67	56	15	3	1		103	89	49	120	9	77	15	75	50	484	468	2,000	
		Hedrick's Grove	102	38	5		1	1	10	135	100	45	7			189	7	6			8		150		172	1,138	25,000	5,000
A. Samuel Peeler	Lexington, N. C., R. 2	Mt. Tabor	98	10	4			1	6	105	100	45	18			185	5	8					112		165	718	4,000	
	Lower Davidson Charge	Jerusalem	28	11	1		2		5	35	21	12	1				5					97	39		140	135	2,000	
		Beck's	195	12			3	2	27	176	153	80	8			167	9	7					135		152	475	3,000	
C. Columbus Wagoner	Newton, N. C.	Grace, Newton	219	7			7	2		217	142	75	2			186	237	307	88	32	1,141	40	293		2,138	3,437	10,000	6,000
Dougan C. Cox	Thomasville, N. C.	Without Charge																											
John A. Koons	Maiden, N. C.	Memorial, Maiden	70	2	7		3			76	71	41	4			84	79	69	128	10	100	50	131	89	655	819	1,800	3,000
	Lincoln Charge	Salem	34				1		2	31	29	15	1				48	52	10	5	280	100	46	30	571	325	2,500	
		St. Matthew's	87	7	2	1	1	2		94	89	53	7			98	76	74	25	13	31	176	102	76	573	580	4,000	
Jacob A. Palmer	Thomasville, N. C.	Heidelberg, Thomasville	160	14	5	2	1	2	6	172	115	16	1			225	210	231	92	24	96	217	733	9	1,612	1,965	6,000	3,000
John C. Peeler	Lenoir, N. C.	Zion, Lenoir	63	2	6	2		1	5	67	59	23	1			86	159	185	16	9	962	560	48	75	2,014	1,774	25,000	6,000
Albert F. Nace	Atlanta, Ga.	Without Charge																											
Wm. C. Lyerly	Concord, N. C.	Trinity, Concord	159		3	1	1	1		161	148	43	2			259	208	254	182	10	436	759	106		1,954	33,250	40,000	
Harvey A. Welker	Burlington, N. C.	First, Burlington	184	6	6	5	5	3		193	162	82	1		2	305	256	256	49	24	51	190		10	826	2,125	5,000	7,000
H. A. M. Holshouser, Ph. D.	Rockwell, N. C.	St. Luke's	54	4			3	1		54	52	46	2			69	23	20	71	6	162		44	22	347	388	2,000	
	Rockwell Charge	Ursinus, Rockwell	124	6	5	1	2		1	133	126	112	6		1	186	100	110	128	18	680		87	60	1,183	20,834	20,000	10,000
		Bethany, Crescent	75	6			9	3	12	57	50	36	7		2	83	45	45	101	8	194	37	48	23	501	1,483	2,500	
Harvey A. Fesperman	Greensboro, N. C.	First, Greensboro	260	15	27	5		1	6	300	190	75	3	2	1	524	347	388	191	39	700	655	475	250	3,045	5,100	32,000	8,000
Harvey Kopenhaver	Catawba, N. C.	Without Charge																											
Frank C. Fesperman	Yamagata, Japan	Missionary to Japan																											
Sterling W. Whitener	Yochow City, Hunan, China	Missionary to China																											
Milton Whitener	High Point, N. C.	First, High Point	181	16	5	2	2		11	191	122	33	2			336	138	134	167	27	146	142	202	200	1,156	2,240	25,000	8,000
Charles W. Warlick	Mt. Pleasant, N. C.	St. James', Mt. Pleasant	80	2	1		1		4	78	73	33	6			129	45	49	132	15	493		387	1	1,122	3,338	27,500	5,000
	Bear Creek Charge	Bethel	212	11			8	3	3	209	150	50	1			226	68	207	110	25	615	454	191		1,671	990	3,000	
		Boger	78				2	1		75	55	28	2			101			56		150	68	41		315	192	1,500	
A. Odell Leonard	Lexington, N. C., R. 2	Second, Lexington	157	25	17	5	2	1	6	195	146	35	14			442	172	185	48	24	143		216	22	810	1,650	2,500	6,000
Banks J. Peeler	Salisbury, N. C.	First, Salisbury	168	17	36	2	4	2	1	216	189	83	13	1	1	313	276	287	66	32	393	225	178		1,457	2,603	25,000	3,000
		St. Paul's	106	16	2	1	7	1	2	115	71	32	4			116	5	10	11	12	113	230	143		514	530	3,500	2,000
John B. Swartz	Newton, N. C.	Bethel	82	4	2	2		2		88	65	20	4			85	5	7	10	10	84	110	136		362	521	3,500	
	South Fork Charge	Grace	90	5	1	4	7	1	1	91	60	19	5			76	3	10	18	18	85	41	94		269	790	2,500	
		Daniel's	55		2		2	3		52	44	23				54	56	11	10		186	127	157	10	610	427	4,000	
O. Bain Michael	Winston-Salem, N. C.	Schlatter Memorial	90	6	4	5	3		2	100	60	35	1			230	110	126	66	14	48	65	69	6	503	762	35,000	5,000
J. Dudley Maeder	Concord, N. C.	New Gilead	122	3	1		1			125	90	31	3			85	45	47			50	120			262	575	3,000	1,000
	Gilead Charge	Keller	57				3			54	45	12				40	10	5				26			41	150	1,000	
Augustus C. Peeler	Winston-Salem, N. C.	First, Waughtown	111	1	1		1			112	76	3	1	1		192	50	45	28	12	251	90	166		642	445	10,000	3,000
	Waughtown Charge	Hebron	85	20	2				6	101	75				1	87					303	56	230		589	265	3,000	
		Bethlehem	39	9			2			46	21											55	17		72	80	1,000	
George Longaker	Hickory, N. C.	Corinth, Hickory	350	34	23	2	9	3	12	385	289	112	10			326	869	2,115	298	53	200	2,400	400	100	6,435	5,562	50,000	12,000
Elmer R. Hoke, Ph. D.	Salisbury, N. C.	Pres. Catawba College																			810	235	913		2,200	606	5,000	5,000
		Pilgrim	250	10			21	1		238	191	23	4			220	86	96	60		70				75	1,750	12,000	
Vacant	Lexington, N. C., R. 1	Beulah	313	11	3		3	4		320	250					314	5				72	85			162	208	2,000	
	Upper Davidson Charge	Bethany	84	4	1		5		4	80	70					114	5				84	157	15	5	325	425	800	2,800
		Emanuel	182		2			2		182	96	22	1	2	1	250	64				150				150	354	5,000	
		Calvary	108	12	3			2		121	80	2	1			141					176				176	335	2,000	
Vacant	Thomasville, N. C.	Emanuel Charge	140	3			4			139	84	24	1			160										39	2,500	
		Zion					4			16	10					24												
Vacant	Hickory, N. C.	Murphy Memorial	20				5		14	80	50	25	5			109							65		65	308	2,500	
	West Hickory Charge	Brookford	80	15			5	1		72	60	27				79	113	141	24	12	26	65	91		472	1,072	15,000	7,000
Vacant	Lincolnton, N. C.	Emanuel, Lincolnton	77			1	7	3	3	131	90	70	7			259	7	7			25		105	131	262	492	3,000	
		Mt. Hope	120	25				3	3	124	75	60	3			159					16	150	150	331	663	319	3,000	1,000
Vacant	Julian, N. C., R. 1	Brick	130					3		103	52	65	3			123			50			65	48		183	358	3,000	
	Guilford Charge	St. Mark's	102	3			1	1		11	10															50	2,000	
		Fairview	12				1			11	10																1,000	
		Smyrna	55	8	4		8	4		55	50	25			1	100											500	
Vacant	Conover, N. C.	Bethany	43					3		40	31	26				51										500	2,000	1,000
	Catawba Charge	Trinity, St. John's	72	14	6		5	2		89	70	84				125												
TOTAL FOR THE CLASSIS			7,262	519	232	46	193	80	179	7,628	5,727	2,342	219	10	10	9,777	5,778	7,888	6,329	610	11,983	12,903	12,339	1,664	55,688	120,081	721,000	124,300

*Resigned April 16, 1925 to become Field Secretary of Catawba College.

ATISTICAL REPORT OF CLASSIS

COMMUNICANT MEMBERS								
Gains			Losses					
(1) Confirmed	Certificate	Renewal of Profession	Dismissed	Deaths	Erasure of Names	Present Membership	Communed During the Year	(2) Unconfirmed Members
42	13	4	10	4	23	520	461	85
18	5		2		1	138	113	65
4	3		1	4		124	123	68
12						66	53	25
12	2		7	1		296	175	175
12	5					128	112	45
9	8		9		6	130	98	40
5	5	1	2		3	122	119	33
1	4		2			67	56	15
38	5		1	1	10	135	100	45
10	4			1	6	105	100	45
11	1		2		5	35	21	12
12			3	2	27	175	153	80
7			7	2		217	142	75
2	7		3			76	71	41
			1		2	31	29	15
7	2	1	1	2		94	89	53
14	5	2	1	2	6	172	115	16
2	6	2		1	5	67	59	23
	3	1	1	1		161	148	43
6	6	5	5	3		193	162	82
4			3	1		54	52	46
6	5	1	2		1	133	126	112
6			9	3	12	57	50	36
15	27	5		1	6	300	190	75
16	5	2	2		11	191	122	33
2	1		1		4	78	73	33
11			8	3	3	209	150	50
			2	1		75	56	28
25	17	5	2	1	6	195	145	35
17	36	2	4	2	1	216	189	83
16	2	1	7	1	2	115	71	32
4	2	2		2		88	65	20
5	1	4	7	1	1	91	60	19
	2		2	3		52	44	23
6	4	5	3		2	100	60	35
3	1		1			125	90	31
			3			54	45	12
1	1		1			112	76	3
20	2			6		101	75	
9				2		46	21	
34	23	2	9	3	12	385	289	112
10			21	1		238	191	23
11	3		3	4		320	250	
4	1		5		4	80	70	
	2			2		182	96	22
12	3			2		121	80	2
3			4			139		24
			4			16	10	
15			5		14	80	50	25
			5	1		72	60	27
25		1	7	3	3	131	90	70
				3	3	124	75	50
3			1	1		103	52	65
			1			11	10	
8	4		8	4		55	50	25
				3		40	31	26
14	6		5	2		89	70	84
519	232	46	193	80	179	7,628	5,727	2,342

MINUTES

OF THE

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OF THE

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NINETY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSIONS

IN

HEDRICK'S GROVE REFORMED CHURCH

LOWER DAVIDSON CHARGE

LEXINGTON, N. C.

MAY 11-13 A. D., 1926.

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1926

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SPECIAL MEETING, JULY 20, 1925.

The officers of the Classis of North Carolina, for good and sufficient reasons, having changed the time and place of the adjourned meeting from Lexington, May 21, to Catawba College, Salisbury, N. C., July 20, 1925, at 2 o'clock p. m., this body met accordingly. At the request of the President, devotional services were conducted by Student Harvey W. Black. The following members were present: Revs. J. C. Leonard, J. D. Andrew, W. H. McNairy, S. Peeler, A. S. Peeler, C. C. Wagoner, J. A. Koons, J. A. Palmer, J. C. Peeler, W. C. Lyerly, H. A. Welker, H. A. M. Holshouser, H. A. Fesperman, F. L. Fesperman, S. W. Whitener, M. Whitener, C. W. Warlick, A. O. Leonard, B. J. Peeler, J. B. Swartz, O. B. Michael, J. D. Maeder, G. Longaker, E. R. Hoke; Elders M. L. Penninger, M. C. Barnhart, A. A. Blackwelder, A. A. Keener, M. T. Roseman; advisory members: Elders F. L. Peck, R. L. Cline, L. C. Walter, A. S. Cook, J. Cook, M. G. Lentz; Rev. F. W. Leich, D. D., Professor Central Theological Seminary, Dayton, Ohio.

The following business was transacted:

1. The request of Student Harvey W. Black, referred by Classis at its annual meeting to this adjourned meeting, was considered by the Classis sitting in committee of the whole, with Rev. W. H. McNairy as chairman and the Stated Clerk as Secretary. At the close of the examination the committee arose and presented the following report to Classis, which was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Examination and Licensure having duly examined Theological Student Harvey W. Black desire to report that the examination was satisfactory.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. McNAIRY, Chairman,

J. C. LEONARD, Secretary.

Accordingly Student Harvey W. Black, having in open Classis read and duly signed the Constitutional formula, was licensed to preach the Gospel, and the officers of Classis were instructed to furnish him with the proper testimonial.

2. The following report of the committee on the Waughtown Church overture was received and adopted:

Your committee appointed in response to the overture of the Waughtown Congregation, to investigate a possible reconstruction of charges in that community, respectfully report that we have carefully made such investigation, but the way does not appear open or advisable at this time to make any such recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,

MILTON WHITENER,
A. O. LEONARD.

3. The following report of the Committee on Reconstruction in the West Hickory and Catawba Charges was received and adopted:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your special committee appointed at the annual meeting of Classis to consider a rearrangement of charges in the Western District beg leave to make the following report:

We have conferred with the consistories of the West Hickory and Catawba Charges, and they have given their hearty approval to the following recommendations of your committee:

1. Dissolve the West Hickory and Catawba Charges.

2. Constitute a new charge comprising Faith, Brookford; Trinity, Conover; and Smyrna, the same to be known as the Catawba Charge. That the Classis join with the Catawba Charge in overturing the Board of Home Missions to enroll it as a Mission, with an appropriation of $800.00, the charge paying $1200.00. The charge will furnish a parsonage.

3. Commit Murphy Memorial Church to the care of the pastor of Corinth Church, Hickory, and Bethany Church to the care of the pastor of Grace Church, Newton.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. PEELER,
J. B. SWARTZ,
G. H. GEITNER.

4. Notice of a grant of $200.00 to the Rockwell Charge by Synod's Board of Ministerial Sustentation.

The item was adopted and the Treasurer of Classis was instructed to pay the proper proportion of $300.00 to the Rockwell Charge up to November 1st and thereafter $100, in harmony with the action of Classis at the annual meeting.

5. Overture from Trinity Church, Concord, for $300.00 sustentation.

The request was referred to the officers of Classis.

6. Request of the pastor, Rev. J. D. Maeder, and the Joint Consistory of the Gilead Charge for dissolution of the pastoral relation from this date.

The request was granted and the charge declared vacant from July 20, 1925.

The following were appointed a Committee of Supply for the Gilead Charge: Revs. J. H. Keller, L. A. Peeler and Elder R. T. Lippard.

The following report of the Committee of Supply for the Gilead Charge appointed at the annual meeting of Classis was received and adopted:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee would report that Rev. J. D. Maeder resigned July 20, and settlement was agreed upon between the Joint Consistory and the pastor. Respectfully submitted,

W. C. LYERTY,
C. W. WARLICK.

There being no further business, the roll was called, the Minutes were read, and the Classis adjourned in the usual form.

H. A. WELKER, President,
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

MEETING OF CLASSIS, NOV. 24, 1925.

The Classis of North Carolina met at Catawba College, Salisbury, N. C., Nov. 24, 1925, at 2 o'clock p. m. in harmony with the following call: Lexington, N. C., Nov. 6, 1925. Dear Brother:— There will be a special meeting of the Classis of North Carolina at Catawba College, Salisbury, N. C., November 24, 1925, at 2 o'clock p. m., to consider the following: 1. Report of the Missionary and Stewardship Committee. 2. Any other items demanding special consideration. Please notify your elder. By order of the President. J. C. Leonard, Stated Clerk. Devotional services were conducted by Rev. J. C. Peeler. The following members were present: Revs. J. C. Leonard, J. D. Andrew, W. H. McNairy, S. Peeler, L. A. Peeler, A. S. Peeler, C. C. Wagoner, J. A. Koons, J. A. Palmer, J. C. Peeler, W. C. Lyerly, H. A. Welker, H. A. M. Holshouser, H. A. Fesperman, M. Whitener, A. O. Leonard, B. J. Peeler, O. B. Michael, J. D. Maeder, A. C. Peeler, G. Longaker; Elders J. T. Hedrick, M. C. Barnhart, R. T. Lippard, A. A. Blackwelder, J. W. Peeler, M. T. Roseman, J. P. Linn, J. C. Ikerd; advisory members: Elders G. A. Fisher, Dr. M. A. Foil; Revs. C. E. Wehler, Maryland Clasis; J. G. Rupp, East Pennsylvania Classis.

The following business was transacted:

1. The following report of the Missionary and Stewardship Committee was received and adopted:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your Missionary and Stewardship Committee, in accordance with the recommendations of Synod, again comes to lay before you the benevolent and missionary work of the Church.

We have been in close touch with the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee of General Synod and have been represented at three meetings of the chairmen of the Classical Committees. The first of these meetings was held at Harrisburg in September, at which the benevolent budget for the next Classical year was adopted. A second meeting was held in connection with the meeting of Potomac Synod, and a third was held last week in Carlisle, Pa.

At these meetings reports were given showing the pressing needs of the Boards for the full apportionment in order that the work that has been begun may be carried on without retrenchment. It seems imperative that there should be greatly increased offerings if the work is not to suffer.

The amounts apportioned to North Carolina Classis for the new year 1926-27 are as follows: Home Missions, $10,481.07; Foreign Missions, $11,410.30; Ministerial Relief, $1096.14; Publication and Sunday Schools, $745.26; American Bible Society, $109.61; Board of Christian Education, $43.84; General Synod's Contingent Fund, $343.26.

We offer the following recommendations:

1. That Classis adopt the full apportionment budget as shown above.

2. That the budgets for Home and Foreign Missions be apportioned according to the table appended hereto.

3. That the other items of the budget be laid on the table for apportionment at the annual meeting of Classis in May.

4. That Classis urges upon all our congregations the payment of the apportionment in full, and that we now consider plans whereby this may be realized as far as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

MILTON WHITENER,
L. A. PEELER,
J. A. KOONS,
A. A. BLACKWELDER.

THE APPORTIONMENTS FOR MISSIONS.

	Foreign Missions			Home Missions		
	$1.00 Per Member	Proportionate Share of Remainder	Total	$1.00 Per Member	Proportionate Share of Remainder	Total
Burlington	193 00	85 43	278 43	193 00	64 44	257 44
Mt. Hope, Guilford	131 00	32 41	163 41	131 00	24 45	155 45
Brick	124 00	18 60	142 60	124 00	14 03	138 03
St. Mark's	103 00	20 60	123 60	103 00	15 54	118 54
Fairview	11 00	3 54	14 54	11 00	2 67	13 67
Greensboro	300 00	250 48	550 48	300 00	188 94	488 94
High Point	191 00	136 28	327 28	191 00	102 80	293 80
Thomasville	172 00	122 84	294 84	172 00	92 66	264 66
Emanuel	182 00	25 81	207 81	182 00	19 47	201 47
Calvary	121 00	17 00	138 00	121 00	12 83	133 83
Zion	139 00	9 48	148 48	139 00	7 15	146 15
First, Lexington	520 00	354 33	874 33	520 00	267 27	787 27
Second, Lexington	195 00	76 69	271 69	195 00	57 75	252 75
Pilgrim	238 00	76 83	314 83	238 00	57 95	295 95
Beulah	320 00	72 70	392 70	320 00	54 84	374 34
Bethany	80 00	15 29	95 29	80 00	11 54	91 54
Hedrick's Grove	135 00	78 70	213 70	135 00	59 36	194 36
Mt. Tabor	105 00	15 99	120 99	105 00	12 06	117 06
Beck's	175 00	20 82	195 82	175 00	15 70	190 70
Jerusalem	35 00	7 60	42 60	35 00	5 74	40 74
Schlatter Memorial	100 00	28 69	128 69	100 00	21 64	121 64
Waughtown	112 00	35 77	147 77	112 00	26 98	138 98
Hebron	101 00	21 79	122 79	101 00	16 44	117 44
Bethlehem	46 00	4 16	50 16	46 00	3 13	49 13
Salisbury	216 00	115 53	331 53	216 00	87 15	303 15
Ursinus	133 00	87 43	220 43	133 00	65 94	198 94
St. Luke's	54 00	18 22	72 22	54 00	13 74	67 74
Bethany	57 00	38 43	95 43	57 00	28 77	85 77
Shiloh	138 00	31 30	169 30	138 00	23 61	161 61
Lower Stone	124 00	34 75	158 75	124 00	26 21	150 21
Mt. Hope	66 00	7 56	73 56	66 00	5 70	71 70
Mt. Zion	296 00	117 76	413 76	296 00	88 83	384 83
Landis	128 00	144 22	272 22	128 00	108 79	236 79
Kannapolis	122 00	107 87	229 87	122 00	81 37	203 37
St. Paul's	67 00	30 79	97 79	67 00	23 23	90 23
Concord	161 00	185 65	346 65	161 00	140 00	301 00
St. James'	78 00	114 66	192 66	78 00	86 50	164 50
Bear Creek	209 00	53 38	262 38	209 00	40 26	249 26
Boger	75 00	14 56	89 56	75 00	10 99	85 99
New Gilead	125 00	30 85	155 85	125 00	23 27	148 27
Keller	54 00	13 64	67 64	54 00	10 29	64 29
Charlotte	130 00	113 75	243 75	130 00	85 80	215 80

Lincolnton	72	00	58	00	130	00	72	00	43	85	115	85
Maiden	76	00	57	16	133	16	76	00	43	12	119	12
St. Matthew's	94	00	38	40	132	40	94	00	28	96	122	96
Salem	31	00	24	87	55	87	31	00	18	76	49	76
Newton	217	00	194	42	411	42	217	00	146	65	363	65
St. Paul's	115	00	35	33	150	33	115	00	26	65	141	65
Bethel	88	00	30	74	118	74	88	00	23	19	111	19
Grace	91	00	31	61	122	61	91	00	23	85	114	85
Daniel's	52	00	31	40	83	40	52	00	23	69	75	69
Conover	89	00	14	73	103	73	89	00	11	11	100	11
Smyrna	55	00	9	68	64	68	55	00	7	30	62	30
Brookford	80	00	12	86	92	86	80	00	9	70	89	70
Bethany	40	00			40	00	40	00			40	00
Hickory	385	00	364	71	749	71	385	00	275	30	660	30
Murphy Memorial	16	00	2	71	18	71	16	00	2	04	18	04
Lenoir	67	00	90	93	157	93	67	00	68	59	135	59

2. The officers of Classis who were appointed a committee on the request of Trinity Church, Concord, for $300.00 per year to pay rental on parsonage beginning with July 1, 1925, presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee on the request of Trinity Reformed Church of Concord for $300.00 to pay rental of parsonage beg leave to recommend that, in harmony with the policy of Classis to aid in building new churches where there is positive need of assistance, we donate the sum of $500.00 towards the house of worship now under construction, the Treasurer of Classis to borrow same, Trinity Church to pay the interest until the principal is raised by apportionment.

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. WELKER,
J. C. LEONARD,
MILTON WHITENER.

3. The Consistory of Trinity Church, Concord, presented a second request for $300.00 to pay rental of parsonage.

The Classis voted not to grant the request.

4. On recommendation of the Beneficiary Education Committee, Mr. Edward P. Kennerly, a member of the First Reformed Church of Landis, was received under the care of Classis as a student for the Gospel ministry, and was recommended to Synod's Board of Education and the Solliday Beneficiary Education Committee for aid in the pursuit of his studies.

5. An overture from the twelve members of Fairview Reformed Church at Whitsett asking that this church be dissolved and that a committee be appointed to dismiss the members to the church of their choice was presented to Classis.

The request was granted. The following were appointed a committee to dismiss the members and to take charge of the property in harmony with Article 14 of the Constitution: Revs. H. A. Fesperman, Milton Whitener and Elder John R. Hoffman, Esq.

6. A communication from the Stated Clerk of Potomac Synod containing the action of Synod on the Forward Movement and on increased sums received by the Boards on apportionments was laid before Classis. The first item was referred to the Committee on the Forward Movement, and the second to the Missionary and Stewardship Committee.

There being no further business for consideration, the Minutes were read and approved, and the Classis adjourned with the Benediction by the Stated Clerk.

H. A. WELKER, President,
J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

NINETY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSIONS

OF THE

CLASSIS OF NORTH CAROLINA

OF THE

REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES

ACTS AND PROCEEDINGS.

ARTICLE I.

OPENING OF CLASSIS.

The Classis of North Carolina, Synod of the Potomac, Reformed Church in the United States, met in ninety-sixth annual sessions in Hedrick's Grove Reformed Church, Lower Davidson Charge, R. F. D. 2, Lexington, North Carolina, Tuesday evening, May 11, 1926, at 8 o'clock. The sermon was preached by Rev. Harvey A. Welker, of Burlington, retiring President of Classis, from Prov. 11: 30, "He that winneth souls is wise." The liturgical services were conducted by Revs. W. C. Lyerly and J. W. Myers. The Holy Communion was celebrated, the officiating ministers being Revs. W. H. McNairy and J. C. Peeler. The Classis was duly constituted by the President. The Stated Clerk called the roll and a quorum was found present.

ARTICLE II.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

Ministers—J. C. Leonard, J. D. Andrew, W. H. McNairy, J. H. Keller, L. A. Peeler. A. S. Peeler,J. A. Koons, J. A.Palmer, J. C. Peeler, W.C. Lyerly, H. A. Welker, H.A.M. Holshouser, H. A. Fesperman, F. L. Fesperman, S. W. Whitener, M. Whitener, C. W. Warlick, A. O. Leonard, B. J. Peeler, O. B. Michael, A. C. Peeler, G. Longaker, J. W. Myers.

Elders—W. R. Weaver, W. T. Clapp, B. S. Shuford, E. S. Kluttz, G. L. Whitener, J. T. Hedrick, M. P. Bain, J. L. Crotts, J. Thos. Leonard, E. Whitener, J. O. Moose, G. O. White, I. T. Hedrick, J. S. Wear, A. A. Keener, E.D. Fox, W. S. Barger.

The following members appeared at later sessions: Wednesday morning—Revs. A. Shulenberger, J. D. Maeder, S. Peeler, E. R. Hoke, C. C. Wagoner, D. C. Cox.

Elders—A. Lyerly, J. F. Troxler, M. C. Barnhart, C. F. Bumgarner, H. E. Black, L. P. Wilson, J. R. McKnight, H. B. Regan.

Thursday morning: Elder R. F. Cline.

The Committee on Advisory Members presented the following report, which was adopted:

Your Committee on Advisory Members beg leave to report the presence of the following ministers and elders at one or more sessions of Classis:

Rev. C. A. Hauser, D. D. Philadelphia, of the Publication and Sunday School Board; Rev. J. L. Barnhart, D. D., Baltimore, of General Synod's Board of Ministerial Relief; Elder J. S. Wise, of Philadelphia, Treasurer of the Board of Home Missions; Elders B. Black, C. W. Holshouser, R. L. Lopp, W. Lacy Leonard, George H. Moose, W. C. Lemons, P. J. Leonard, J. W. Younts.

Respectfully submitted,

A. O. LEONARD,
J. C. PEELER,
G. O. WHITE,

Rev. R. B. Sigmon, of the Lutheran Church, was present as a visiting brother.

The following charges were not represented by elders: Grace, Newton; Heidelberg, Thomasville; Emanuel, Lincolnton; Memorial, West Hickory; Catawba.

ROLL OF ELDERS.

Charge.	Primarius.	Secundus.
Corinth, Hickory	Charles C. Bost	Wm. R. Weaver
Guilford	B. B. Greeson	W. T. Clapp
Zion-Landis	Byron S. Shuford	Jas. E. Corriher, Sr.
Bear Creek	E. S. Kluttz	G. A. Boger
South Fork	Gordon L. Whitener	George D. Herman
Lincoln	C. Frank Bumgarner	Daniel F. Campbell
Grace, Newton	Jesse B. Leonard	J. Lawrence Herman
First, Lexington	J. Tilden Hedrick	Holland E. Shoaf
Second, Lexington	Murray P. Bain	Berchie C. Nance

First, Salisbury	Manlius C. Barnhart	George A. Fisher
Lower Davidson	J. Lee Crotts	W. Andrew Beck
Upper Davidson	Henry J. Conrad	J. Thomas Leonard
First, High Point	Edgar Whitener	Mearl F. Crooks
Heidelberg, Thosv'e	Harrison E. Black	Randall P. Murphy
Emanuel	H. V. Regan	R. W. Kennedy
Trinity, Concord	John H. A. Holshouser	Jacob O. Moose
First, Greensboro	John F. Troxler	John H. Lowe
First, Burlington	G. Otis White	A. C. Neese
Zion, Lenoir	Ivey T. Hedrick	Kenneth A. Link
Waughtown	John S. Wear	Victor R. Hedgecock
Rockwell	J. Lawson Kluttz	Adam Lyerly
Memorial, W.-S.	Artis A. Keener	Daniel M. Kluttz
First, Charlotte	Eugene D. Fox	Charles H. A. Rupp
Emanuel, Lincolnton	Daniel A. Seagle	Solomon R. Warlick
Memorial, W. Hick'y		
Faith	John A. Peeler	Wm. S. Barger
Catawba	Adrian L. Shuford	
Kannapolis	R. Baxter McCombs	John F. McKnight
Gilead	F. L. Peck	R. F. Cline
Bethany, Claremont	L. Pinkney Wilson	Robert B. Cline

ARTICLE III.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The following were elected officers of Classis: President, Rev. Sterling W. Whitener, Yochow City, Hunan, China; Vice President, Elder Jacob O. Moose, Concord, N. C.; Corresponding Secretary, Rev. John C. Peeler, Lenoir, N. C.; Reading Clerk, Rev. John W. Myers, Charlotte, N. C.; Treasurer, Rev. Milton Whitener, High Point, N. C.; Rev. Jacob C. Leonard, D. D., Lexington, N. C., continues Stated Clerk.

ARTICLE IV.

PERMANENT COMMITTEES.

1. Executive Committee—S. W. Whitener, J. C. Leonard, J. T. Hedrick.

2. Sunday Schools—B. J. Peeler, A. O. Leonard, K. L. Long.

3. Missionary and Stewardship—Milton Whitener, J. A. Palmer, B. J. Peeler, M. F. Crooks, W. R. Weaver.

4. Mrs. Rebecca Solliday Church Building Fund—C. C. Wagoner, 3 years; George Longaker, 2 years; J. B. Leonard, 1 year.

5. George G. Solliday Beneficiary Education Fund—B. J. Peeler, E. R. Hoke, M. C. Barnhart.

6. Trustees of Classis—C. C. Wagoner, T. L. Hunsucker, Clarence Clapp.

7. Vacancy and Supply—S. W. Whitener, J. C. Leonard, J. T. Hedrick.

8. Young People's Societies—A. O. Leonard, A. C. Peeler, M. P. Bain.

9. Social Service and Rural Work—J. C. Peeler, H. A. M. Holshouser, G. L. Whitener.

10. Temperance—J. A. Koons, C. C. Wagoner, H. D. Warlick.

11. Historical Society—J. C. Leonard, A. S. Peeler, J. L. Crotts.

12. Evangelism—A. O. Leonard, O. B. Michael, A. A. Keener.

13. Hopewell Interest—O. B. Michael.

14. Informant to General Synod's Board of Ministerial Relief—J. C. Leonard.

15. Publicity Press Agent—W. C. Lyerly.

16. Reformed Church Standard Editor and Business Manager—C. C. Wagoner.

17. Auditing Committee — J. A. Palmer, O. B. Michael, K. L. Long.

ARTICLE V.

RULES OF ORDER.

General Synod's Rules of Order were observed. The President defined the Bar of the House to be the first six rows of pews in front of the chancel. The following hours were fixed for opening and closing the sessions: Meet at 8.30 o'clock a. m., and close at 5 p. m., with a recess from 12 noon to 1.15 p. m.

ARTICLE VI.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The President appointed the following Standing Committees:

1. Religious Services—A. S. Peeler, J. C. Peeler, J. L. Crotts.

2. Minutes of Classis—J. C. Leonard, J. A. Palmer, B. S. Shuford.

3. Minutes of Potomac Synod—H. A. M. Holshouser, M. Whitener, E. Whitener.

4. Minutes of General Synod—L. A. Peeler, W. H. McNairy, E. S. Kluttz.

5. Overtures—J. A. Palmer, M. Whitener, W. S. Barger.

6. Missions—H. A. Fesperman, B. J. Peeler, J. Thos. Leonard.

7. Benevolent Institutions—G. Longaker, A. O. Leonard, G. L. Whitener.

8. Education—S. Peeler, H. A. Fesperman, W. R. Weaver.

9. State of the Church—H. A. Welker, F. L. Fesperman, A. A. Keener.

10. Nominations—C. W. Warlick, H. A. Welker, E. D. Fox.

11. Finance—W. H. McNairy, A. S. Peeler, J. T. Hedrick.

12. Examination and Licensure—J. H. Keller, G. Longaker, W. T. Clapp.

13. Press—W. C. Lyerly, A. C. Peeler, J. O. Moose.

14. Leave of Absence—F. L. Fesperman, C. W. Warlick, J. S. Wear.

15. Necrology—J. D. Andrew, J. H. Keller, I. T. Hedrick.

16. Advisory Members—A. O. Leonard, J. C. Peeler, G. O. White.

18. Ministerial Relief—O. B. Michael, J. W. Myers, M. P. Bain.

ARTICLE VII.

COMMUNICATIONS.

1. Copies of the Minutes of Classis and the Potomac Synod were referred to the committees on these subjects.

2. The Treasurer's report was read and referred to the Committee on Audit.

3. The report of the Trustees of Catawba College was read and referred to the Comittee on Education.

4. Reports from the Boards of Missions were referred to the Committee on Missions.

5. Reports of the Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home, the Relief Society and the Sunday School Board were read and referred to the proper committees.

6. Other communications were received and referred to the Committee on Overtures.

ARTICLE VIII.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

The Commitee on Religious Services offered the following report, which was adopted:

To the North Carolina Classis:

Your Committee on Religious Services beg leave to report as follows:

Tuesday evening, 8 o'clock—Sermon by Rev. H. A. Welker, President of Classis; Revs. W. C. Lyerly and J. W. Myers, presiding; the Holy Communion in charge of Revs. W. H. McNairy and J. C. Peeler.

Wednesday evening, 8 o'clock—Addresses by Rev. F. L. Fesperman, of Japan, on Foreign Missions, and Mr. J. S. Wise, of Philadelphia, Treasurer of the Board of Home Missions, on Home Missions; Revs. S. W. Whitener, of China, and H. A. Fesperman, of Greensboro, in charge of the services.

Thursday evening, 8 o'clock—Addresses on Education by Rev. E. R. Hoke, Ph. D., President of Catawba College, and Rev. Shuford Peeler, Field Secretary of the College; the services in charge of Revs. Milton Whitener and B. J. Peeler.

Respectfully submitted,

A. S. PEELER,
J. C. PEELER,
J. L. CROTTS.

ARTICLE IX.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

Reports were presented by the several ministers of the Classis. The Constitutional questions were asked, and the elders gave satisfactory answers. The reports were referred to the Committee on the State of the Church.

ARTICLE X.

MINUTES OF CLASSIS.

The Committee on the Minutes of Classis presented the following report, which was received, considered item by item, and finally adopted as a whole:

Your Committee on the Minutes of Classis beg leave to present the following items of unfinished business:

1. Page 12. (a) Executive Committee. (b) Sunday Schools. (c) Missionary and Stewardship. (d) Mrs. Rebecca Solliday Church Building Fund. (e) George G. Solliday Beneficiary Education Fund. (f) Trustees of Classis. (g) Vacancy and Supply. (h) Young People's Societies. (i) Religious Literature. (j) Social Service and Rural Work. (k) Temperance. (l) Historical Society. (m) Forward Movement. (n) Evangelism. (o) Hopewell Interest. (p) Informant to General Synod's Board of Ministerial Relief. (q) Publicity Press Agent. (r) Reformed Church Standard. (s) Auditing Committee.

2. Page 28. Action of Consistories to be reported to Stated Clerk.

3. Page 30. Committee on the Centennial of Classis.

4. Page 31. Committee on the Bible in the State Schools of Higher Learning.

5. Page 33. Committee to repair the grave of Rev. Daniel B. Lerch at Lower Stone Church.

6. Page 37. Committee on the Centennial Endowment of the Theological Seminary at Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

7. Page 38. $300 sustentation granted the Gilead Charge on conditions.

8. Page 21; also Special Minutes. Committees of Supply. (a) Guilford Charge. (b) Emanuel Charge. (c) Upper Davidson Charge. (d) Emanuel, Lincolnton. (e) First, Charlotte. (f) Murphy Memorial, West Hickory. (g) Bethany, Claremont. (h) Gilead Charge. (i) South Fork Charge. (j) Catawba Charge.

9. Committee on Fairview Church at Whitsett.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. LEONARD.

1. (a) The following report was received and adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

The Executive Committee beg leave to report that the following business has been transacted during the year: September 5, 1925, noted the enrollment of the Catawba Charge by the Board of Missions; received Lic. John W. Myers from Gettysburg Classis, Potomac Synod; confirmed a call to Lic. John W. Myers from the First Church of Charlotte, and appointed Revs. B. J. Peeler, Geo. Longaker and Elder A. A. Blackwelder to ordain and install him

pastor; dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. J. B. Swartz and the South Fork Charge, and dismissed him to Tohickon Classis, Eastern Synod; appointed Revs. J. C. Peeler, C. C. Wagoner and Elder Claude C. Herman a Committee of Supply for the South Fork Charge, and Revs. C. C. Wagoner, J. C. Peeler and Elder Clarence Clapp for the Catawba Charge. October 26, 1925, received W. Rowe Fesperman, a member of the First Reformed Church of Salisbury, and Hewitt R. Carpenter, a member of Emanuel Reformed Church of Lincolnton, as students for the Gospel ministry, and recommended them to the George G. Solliday Beneficiary Education Committee and Potomac Synod's Board of Beneficiary Education for beneficiary aid; received and adopted the committee report that Lic. John W. Myers was ordained to the Gospel ministry September 13, 1925, and then installed pastor of the First Reformed Church of Charlotte, Revs. B. J. Peeler and George Longaker being present. December 28, 1925, referred the request of Zion and Calvary Churches, Emanuel Charge, that Rev. D. C. Cox be allowed to supply said churches during 1926, or until a regular pastor shall be secured, to the regular Committee of Supply for said charge with power to act. February 18, 1926, received Lic. Ernst Derendinger, Ph. D., from Maryland Classis, Potomac Synod. Respectfully submited,

J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

(b) Report and action of Classis:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Sunday School Work and Week Day Religious Education report: Fifty-five schools have been tabulated with partial or full reports. The Bethlehem school of the Waughtown Charge, which was reported discontinued last year, has been reorganized with an enrollment of 76 and an average attendance for the year of 50. The school in the West Hickory Charge, Murphy Memorial Congregation, has been reported discontinued.

The following departments show either decrease or have made no gains during the year: Primary, Junior, Intermediate and Senior. There was a decrease in the number of confirmations. Only two schools report Teacher Training Classes. A thoughtful examination of the reports, for the last two years, will indicate weakness in our Sunday School work in these four divisions. Teachers and officers, the Cradle Roll, Beginners', Young People's and Adult divisions have steadily increased, while the other four

have either barely held their own or reported decreases. The facts are that we are making our gains with the very young children and the adults. The children from six to seventeen, where training is most needed, evidently are not being attracted to our schools. In the face of this, Teacher and Leader Training Courses in the local church are fast becoming history.

On the other hand there are reasons for encouragement. The totals register a substantial gain in enrollment. The percentage in average attendance was higher last year than the year before; gifts for benevolent purposes and local expenses are gratifying, and there is a gradual increased interest in Week Day Religious Education. Each year finds more interested communities reaching a larger number of pupils.

Your committee calls attention to the report of the Publication and Sunday School Board to the various Classes; also the report of the Committee on Findings of the Conference on Week Day Religious Education held at Reading, Pa., April 29, 1926 (copy of which is attached to this report), and commends them to the careful consideration of pastors, leaders and Sunday School Superintendents.

The committee makes the following recommendations:

1. That pastors and superintendents give more sincere consideration to the children's problem in our Sunday School work, especially those divisions reporting decreases (Primary, Junior, Intermediate, Senior).

2. That Classis authorize the Summer Conference Commitee to arrange a course in Teacher Training as a part of the curriculum of the Conference this year.

3. That Classis pause for a season of prayer and consecration in memory of the late Dr. Rufus W. Miller, who gave his life for the youth of the Church through the Publication and Sunday School Board.

Respectfully submitted,

B. J. PEELER,
A. O. LEONARD.

The President requested Rev. B. J. Peeler to lead in the prayer.

(c) Report and action of Classis:

Your Missionary and Stewardship Committee beg to report that we have been active during the year in the effort to keep the matter of Stewardship before our people and to secure larger giving to the work of the Church for the extension of the Kingdom of

God. Attention was called in a report made to the special meeting of Classis held in Salisbury in December to the attendance of the chairman of the committee at a meeting of the United Committee of General Synod in the early fall at Harrisburg, Pa. He also attended two meetings of the committee chairmen of Potomac Synod, when the work of the Classical Committees was discussed in detail. Communications and reports have appeared regularly in the Standard, a number of letters have been written to different congregations and personal appeal has been made, bringing our benevolent work to the attention of our people.

The results, while in some cases commendable, have not been as generally satisfactory as we had hoped. A study of the report of the Treasurer of Classis shows that only about 70 per cent. of the total apportionment has been paid. Twelve congregations paid the apportionments in full, one less than last year. The congregations paying in full are: Burlington, Second Lexington, Schlatter Memorial, Salisbury, Bethany of Crescent, Mt. Hope, Kannapolis, Charlotte, Lincolnton, Salem, Hickory and Lenoir. It will be observed that eight of these are missions.

Of the total amount apportioned for Home Missions less than half has been paid, and but little more than half has been paid for Foreign Missions. One special feature for regret is that so many of our congregations have no part in Kingdom work beyond their own borders. Twenty-one of the fifty-seven congregations of the Classis paid nothing for Home Missions and twenty-four paid nothing for Foreign Missions. Two congregations paid nothing on the apportionments for any purpose during the year. Manifestly, this is a condition which demands the most thoughtful consideration.

How can we expect the Kingdom to come with power when such a condition prevails? The challenge is upon us for united, wholehearted, unselfish, sacrificial service. We need to render our service of thanksgiving in our giving, remembering the grace and the goodness of God, and the great commission which He has given us.

Your committee would recommend:

1. That the benevolent work of the Church, as represented in the apportionments, be given consideration by our consistories at every regular meeting, and that pastors and elders keep this challenge before our people.

2. That all congregations be urged to make an annual Every-Member Canvass, not only for the current expenses, but for benev-

olences, and that all funds be used strictly for the purpose for which they may be given.

3. That inasmuch as our Boards and institutions have their expenses which must be regularly met, congregational Treasurers are urged to make monthly remittances of all benevolent funds to the Classical Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

MILTON WHITENER,
L. A. PEELER,
JOHN A. KOONS.

(d) Report and action of Classis:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

The Mrs. Rebecca Solliday Church Building Fund Committee submit the following report:

To our knowledge there is only one outstanding loan, $900.00, to Heidelberg Reformed Church, Thomasville. During the year the congregation received no statement, consequently no interest has been remitted.

The term of Rev. C. C. Wagoner expires with this session.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE LONGAKER,
C. C. WAGONER.

(e) Report and action of Classis:

Your Committee on the Solliday Beneficiary Education Fund submit the following report:

There are at present 12 young men under the care of Classis. They are classified as follows:

Heidelberg University—

H. Grady Shoffner.....Senior

Catawba College—

Carey H. Bostian.....Sophomore
Shuford K. Peeler.....Sophomore
Hewitt R. Carpenter.....Freshman
Edward J. Kennedy.....Freshman
Rowe Fesperman.....Freshman

Central Seminary—

Charles E. Hiatt.....Middler
Sidney C. Safrit.....Middler
Hoy L. Fesperman.....Middler

Eastern Seminary—

Thomas R. Safrit.....Middler

With one or two exceptions satisfactory grades were made by these students. Student Rowe Fesperman dropped out during the year. No report has been received from Student Marvin Jones, and the committee has been unable to hear from him. He attended Rutherford College last year, but has received no financial aid. Student John H. Causey has been kept out of school the past year on account of weak eyes, but plans to enter Catawba College this fall and has requested aid.

Robert G. Longaker has been examined by your committee as a student for the ministry, and is hereby recommended to your reverend body to be received under your care with the request that he be recommended to Potomac Synod's Board for aid.

We make the following recommendations:

1. That Students Chas. E. Hiatt, Sidney C. Safrit, Hoy L. Fesperman, H. Grady Shoffner and Thos. R. Safrit be recommended to Potomac Synod's Board of Education for aid to the extent of $150 each.

2. That Students Carey H. Bostian and Robert G. Longaker be recommended to Potomac Synod's Board of Education for aid to the extent of $300 each.

3. That Students Shuford K. Peeler, Hewitt R. Carpenter, John H. Causey and Edward J. Kennerly be recommended to Potomac Synod's Board for aid to the extent of $200 each.

4. That Students Charles E. Hiatt, Sidney C. Safrit, Hoy L. Fesperman, Thos. R. Safrit, H. Grady Shoffner, Shuford K. Peeler. Hewitt R. Carpenter, John H. Causey and Edward J. Kennerly be recommended to the Board of Trustees of Catawba College for aid to the extent of $100 each from the G. G. Solliday Beneficiary Education Fund.

The chairman of this committee hereby presents his resignation as a member of this committee.

The expense of the committee is $3.00.

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. FESPERMAN,
ELMER R. HOKE,
M. C. BARNHARDT.

The bill was referred to the Treasurer for payment.

(f) Report and action of Classis:

The Trustees of Classis beg leave to report that nothing came to their hands requiring attention this year.

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. WAGONER, Chairman.

(g) Report and action of Classis:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Vacancy and Supply beg leave to report that we have co-operated with the several Committees of Supply during the year and have endeavored to secure pastors for vacant charges. In spite of all efforts in this direction we still have many vacancies. We recommend that committees for the several vacant charges be appointed this year, with instructions to use every legitimate effort to secure regular pastors.

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. WELKER,
J. C. LEONARD,
J. T. HEDRICK.

The President, Stated Clerk and Elder J. T. Hedrick comprise the Committee of Vacancy and Supply.

(n) Report and action of Classis:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Young People's Societies submit the following report:

The statistics of Young People's work have been compiled. The report shows that there is little gain over that of last year. The vast majority of the boys and young men of our Church are not being reached through Young People's Societies.

Your committee recommend:

That pastors place more stress upon Young People's work; especially that phase of the work reaching the boys and young men.

That emphasis be placed upon the Summer Missionary Conference as a wonderful asset to Young People's work.

Respectfully submitted,

A. O. LEONARD.
A. C. PEELER.

Committee for coming year: A. O. Leonard, A. C. Peeler, M. F Bain.

(i) Report and action of Classis:

Your Committee on Religious Literature submit the following report:

Your committee has not been in a position to definitely accomplish great things along this line during the year. Our observation is that now most of our Sunday Schools are using the Reformed Lesson Helps. We have always urged that. The majority of our

ministers have tried to persuade their families to subscribe for the Reformed Church papers, such as the Messenger, Christian World and Record, so as to keep themselves better informed about the work of the Church at home and abroad.

We therefore recommend:

1. The use of "Daily Devotions," by Dr. Rufus W. Miller, as a fine book for daily devotions in our families.

2. That our people be urged to give more earnest heed to the Word of God and the study thereof, and that our pastors be asked to recommend books and papers that should be read by their members.

3. That "Church Paper Day" be observed by our congregations, and that pastors urge their people to subscribe for a weekly church paper, just as they subscribe for the secular papers.

4. We suggest that this matter of Religious Literature be referred to the Committee on Sunday Schools hereafter.

Respectfully submitted,

SHUFORD PEELER,
W. H. McNAIRY.

(j) Social Service and Rural Work.

Your committee has co-operated during the past year with the General Synod Commission and the Potomac Synod Commission, and noted such phases of their activities as apply to our Classis. Our greatest problem at present is our vacant rural fields. During the past year six rural charges, comprising eighteen congregations, with a membership of 2158, were without pastors. This state of affairs cannot continue long without serious hurt to the work of our Church, both rural and city.

The most lamentable thing is that there is no apparent reason for such a condition. With one exception, these charges can pay good average salaries, $1800 or more. Your committee has endeavored, through the Supply Committees, to place men in practically all of these charges. For some reason our efforts have failed. We understand that two of these charges have recently secured pastors, and that others will use students during the summer.

The Rural Church Department of the Home Mission Board is ready to help secure student supply during the summer vacation. We regret to report that the Department was unable to send a student into the Classis last summer for survey work, on account of the illness of the student selected to do this work. They will

be glad to do so this year if the Classis so desires, and the right type of student can be secured at this late date.

We recommend:

1. That Classis urge our vacant rural charges to do all in their power to secure regular pastors at the earliest date possible.

2. That a Rural Church Conference be held at some central place during the summer or autumn months, and a committee be appointed to arrange for same.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. PEELER,
H. A. M. HOLSHOUSER.

J. C. Peeler, H. A. M. Holshouser and G. L. Whitener contitute the Committee on Social Service and Rural Work. The committee was instructed to hold one or more Conferences in harmony with the last recommendation.

(k) Report and action of Classis:

To the Reverend North Carolina Classis:

Your Committee on Temperance beg leave to report that we have co-operated with the Anti-Saloon League and law-enforcement orders wherever possible. In this hour of demand on the part of some for the modification of the dry laws, we urge our pastors to continue to present the virtues of temperance and law enforcement to their people.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. KOONS,
H. D. WARLICK.

The committee was continued.

(l) Report and action of Classis:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

I have attended to such duties as required attention during the year for the service of the Historical Society.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. LEONARD.

The committee was continued.

(m) Report and action of Classis:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your Classical Director and Completion Committee on Forward Movement would report that many of the churches of the Classis of North Carolina have paid in considerable sums of money on subscriptions. Bethany Church of the Rockwell Charge has

paid its subscriptions in full. Many of the churches have paid a large percentage on subscriptions. A number of the churches received credit on the Co-operative Plan, notes and cash, to Catawba College. They will receive proper credit in the final report of the Commission to the General Synod in 1926.

Your Director would recommend to the several consistories and congregations that they follow the instructions of the General Synod.

The Director would recommend that this report be final.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. LYERLY, Classical Director.

(n) Report and action of Classis:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Evangelism submit the following report:

There was a Conference on Evangelism held in First Reformed Church, Salisbury, N. C., March 11, 1926. Rev. C. E. Schaeffer, D. D., delivered a most inspiring address to the members of the church who were present. The weather was the most inclement of the year; still a very representative number were present to profit from the Conference. During the past year we have encouraged the holding of special meetings in the various churches throughout the Classis.

Clasis would impress the responsibility of reaching the unsaved upon the congregations of the Classis.

Classis would call to the attention of pastors and congregations the importance of conducting special services for at least one week during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

A. O. LEONARD,
O. B. MICHAEL,
A. A. KEENER.

The committee was continued.

(o) Rev. O. B. Michael read a statement on the Hopewell interest. He was appointed to have charge of this work during the coming year and to act as Trustee of the property.

(p) Report and action of Classis:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

I have attended to the duties incumbent upon the position of Informant to the Board of Ministerial Relief during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. LEONARD.

J. C. Leonard was continued as Informant.

(q) Report and action of Classis:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your Press Agent furnished the State papers a number of articles as news items. The Reformed Church has had some publicity through this source. This Classis ought to appoint a Press Agent for the year. Very respectfully,

W. C. LYERLY.

W. C. Lyerly was continued as Publicity Press Agent.

(r) Report and action of Classis:

The Reformed Church Standard was issued twice each month during the year. The cost of printing and mailing for that period was $794.03. Respectfully submitted,

C. C. WAGONER, Editor.

The Standard staff was re-elected.

(s) The Auditing Committee reported in connection with the report of the Treasurer. This committee was continued.

2. Report and action of Classis:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

The Stated Clerk begs leave to present the following as the action of churches reporting on matters sent down by Classis to the several congregations:

1. First Church of Salisbury, Emanuel Church of Lincolnton, Zion Church of Lenoir approved all the actions of Classis.

2. The following churches approved all the actions of Classis except the following items:

Memorial Church of Winston-Salem expresses the feeling that the apportionment for Catawba College should not be placed in the Contingent Fund, and also that the apportionment has become too high for the average church member to meet.

First Church of High Point is unwilling to make provision for the attendance of its pastor at the Summer School of Theology; assumed only one dollar per member for the causes of Home and Foreign Missions; did not approve the plan for help for the stands on Anniversary Day at Nazareth Orphans' Home.

Grace Church of Newton accepted the apportionment as far as it may be able to raise same, at the same time protesting that part of the Contingent Fund that pertains to the interest apportioned on the $50,000 note voted by Classis.

The several churches of the Faith Charge approved all matters sent down by Classis except the sending of young men into the country charges where there are pastors to make surveys.

The First Church of Lexington approved the several actions of Classis, but assumed only one dollar per member for the causes of Home and Foreign Missions.

Trinity Church of Concord took favorable action on all matters sent down by Classis. The apportionment was placed in the budget, but only subscribed in part. The statement is made that the subscribed part will be paid. Attention is called to the omission of the apportionment for Home and Foreign Missions in the printed Minutes of Classis.

The Second Church of Lexington approved all the actions of Classis except the recommendation for monthly payment of apportionment.

The several churches of the Lincoln Charge approve of all the actions of Classis except monthly payment of apportionments.

The churches of the Kannapolis Charge approved the actions of Classis, but they did not assume the full apportionment. Action was taken to secure the full sum as nearly as possible.

Corinth Church of Hickory approved all matters sent down by Classis except use of duplex envelopes, provision having already been made to use single envelopes for the year.

3. All the churches of Classis not appearing in the above list failed to comply with Article 67 of the Constitution.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

3. The Committee on the Centennial of Classis made verbal statement, and will continue the work.

4. Report and action of Classis:

Your Committee on the Bible in State Schools of Higher Learning report that no meeting has been called during the past year by the chairman of the Interdenominational Committee, hence nothing has been done.

H. A. FESPERMAN,
MILTON WHITENER.

The committee was continued.

5. Report and action of Classis:

Your committee appointed one year ago to have a concrete wall built around the grave of Rev. D. B. Lerch in the graveyard of

Grace Reformed Church of the Faith Charge beg leave to report that the work has been done at a cost of ten dollars.

J. D. ANDREW,
MILO ROSEMAN.

The Treasurer was authorized to pay the bill.

6. Report and action of Classis:

Your committee to co-operate with the President of the Theological Seminary at Lancaster, Pa., in the raising of a special endowment fund would report that we were not called upon to render any assistance during the year.

Respectfully submitted,
MILTON WHITENER,
C. W. WARLICK.

7. Attended to.

8. (a) Report and action of Classis:

To the Reverend Classis:

Your committee appointed to supply the Guilford Charge submit the following report: During the summer months the charge was supplied by Student Hoy L. Fesperman. During the remainder of the time the different members of the Supply Committee held regular services at Mt. Hope and Brick Churches. Student Hoy L. Fesperman has again been secured to supply the charge for the summer. Effort has been put forth to secure a regular pastor, but so far without result.

Complying with the instructions of Classis, your committee dismissed the twelve members of the Fairview Congregation, most of them to Brick Church. No disposition has yet been made of the church property.

Respectfully submitted,
H. A. FESPERMAN,
MILTON WHITENER,
H. A. WELKER.

The committee was continued.

(b) Report and action of Classis:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Supply Committee for the Emanuel Charge has made earnest effort to arrange for a regular pastor in this charge, but so far without success. Brother A. O. Leonard has supplied the Emanuel Congregation regularly during the year, and Brother D. C. Cox has supplied Calvary. During part of the year Brother Cox has supplied Zion also.

Respectfully submitted,
J. A. PALMER,
A. O. LEONARD.

The committee was continued.

(c) Report and action of Classis:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee of Supply for Upper Davidson Charge beg leave to report that much effort has been put forth to secure a pastor, as yet to no avail. Regular services of a supply have been available. Student Charles Hiatt has been secured to supply during the vacation months. Respectfully submitted,

A. O. LEONARD,
A. C. PEELER,
J. T. HEDRICK.

The committee was continued.

(d) Report and action of Classis:

To the Reverend North Carolina Classis:

Your Committee of Supply for the Emanuel Church, Lincolnton, beg leave to report that Licentiate Harvey W. Black supplied the congregation very acceptably during the summer months. Evangelistic services of a week's duration were conducted by Dr. Geo. Longaker the last of October. On the Sunday following these services the Holy Communion was administered. The pulpit was occupied from time to time by visiting brethren. A call has been extended to Mr. Carl Hugo Kellermeyer, a recent graduate from the Seminary. The call has been accepted, and he will enter upon his work the first Sunday in June.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. KOONS,
H. G. KOPENHAVER,
J. C. IKERD.

(e) Report and action of Classis:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee would report that Student Thos. R. Safrit supplied the First Reformed Church of Charlotte during the summer months till the arrival of Lic. John W. Meyers, now pastor of the church. Respectfully,

W. C. LYERLY, Chairman.

(f) Report and action of Classis:

To the Reverend North Carolina Classis:

Your Committee on Supply for the West Hickory Charge tried to perform the duty assigned. A conference was held with the few discouraged members of Murphy Memorial Reformed Congrega-

tion. They were of the firm opinion that mere supply service or afternoon help was futile. In fact they were decided to relinquish the effort unless a regular pastor was to be had. Even the Sunday School had dwindled to almost nothing. Since that time nearly all have affiliated themselves with Corinth Reformed. No organization exists now nor has there been one for practically the entire year. Rev. B. Ruf followed Student Ehlman in serving the Brookford Reformed Church. Your chairman administered the Holy Communion and baptized several children, as well as seeking to raise all of the apportionment possible. The latter congregation is now cared for in the newly formed Catawba Charge. Elder Joseph S. Wise, Philadelphia, Pa., advised with us in regard to the West Hickory proposition. He recommended that we sell the portion of the lot upon which the building stands and retain the other part, hoping some day to revive the work. This matter has not gone any further than we now report. It was impossible to secure any benevolences from the few remaining members, as their financial condition is poor. The officials of Corinth Reformed concurred in the steps that we took. Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE LONGAKER.

The committee was continued.

(g) Report and action of Classis:

Since September 1, 1925, we have conducted worship twice each month in Bethany Church. The Lord's Supper has been administered at regular intervals. For a week special services were conducted. Seven members were received into church on confession of faith. The families of the congregation have been visited. Several departments of the work have been reorganized, which we trust will result in greater progress in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. WAGONER.

The committee was continued.

(h) Report and action of Classis:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

As chairman of the Gilead Supply Committee we beg leave to report that Brother Lee Peeler preached twice a month at Keller and Brother Warlick and myself each once a month at Gilead. We feel that these churches should be made a part of adjoining charge or charges. Respectfully submitted,

J. H. KELLER.

The committee was continued, with instructions to investigate and make recommendation on reconstruction.

(i) Report and action of Classis:

Arrangements were made to hold regular services in all of the churches except Daniels. The committee was ably assisted in this work by Revs. Koons and Longaker. We have endeavored to secure a regular pastor for the charge, and recently the Rev. Ezra Guinther, returned missionary from Japan, was unanimously elected and a call extended. We rejoice to report that Bro. Guinther has accepted, and will begin work June 1.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. PEELER,
C. C. WAGONER.

(j) Report and action of Classis:

Your Committee of Supply for the Catawba Charge desire to report that the churches have been provided with preaching services and the Lord's Supper has been administered. Some pastoral visiting has been done. A pastor has been secured who will enter into the work in a few weeks.

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. WAGONER,
J. C. PEELER.

9. The Committee on Fairview Church reported in connection with the Guilford Charge.

ARTICLE XI.

OVERTURES.

Report and action of Classis:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Overtures beg leave to make the following report:

1. Request of Rev. H. G. Kopenhaver and Lic. H. W. Black to be excused from attendance at the annual meeting of Classis.

We recommend that the request be granted.

2. Request of Rev. D. C. Cox for permission to engage in secular work.

We recommend that the request be granted.

3. Request of Schlatter Memorial Reformed Church for permission to change the name to "Memorial Reformed Church."

We recommend that the request be granted.

4. Communication from the President of the Theological Seminary calling attention to the Summer School of Theology, July 5-16, 1926.

We recommend that the Classis commend the Summer School of Theology to the ministers and members of consistories; and urge consistories to make it possible for the ministers to attend.

5. Request of Ministerial Association of Central District for Classis to ask the Home Mission Board to make a careful survey of Albemarle with a view to organizing a congregation there.

We recommend that the request be granted; and that Classis make such request of the Home Mission Board.

6. Request of Ministerial Association of Central District that Classis appoint a committee to organize a congregation at Granite Quarry, to conduct services there and do such work as will look toward the erection of churches on the lot already in the possession of the Reformed Church.

We recommend that the matter be placed in the hands of Revs. J. D. Andrew and H. A. M. Holshouser and Elders W. S. Barger and J. B. McCombs.

7. (a) Invitation from Zion, Lenoir, to Classis to hold its 97th annual sessions in that church at such date as may be determined.

(b) Similar invitation from St. Matthew's Church, Lincoln Charge.

We recommend that at this time Classis proceed to determine, in a regular way, the place and time for the next annual meeting.

8. Communication with reference to Summer Missionary Conference to be held at Catawba College, July 17-23, 1926.

We recommend that Classis take action suggesting the attendance of ministers and as many of our people as possible on the opening Sunday, and throughout the Conference. Particularly would we like to urge the attendance of representative young people from all our congregations and Sunday Schools.

9. Communication with reference to Near East Relief.

We commend this most worthy cause to our congregations in the hope that whenever and wherever opportunity presents itself our people will respond with their gifts.

10. Request of joint consistory of Rockwell Charge for sustentation.

We recommend that sustentation in the sum of $200 be granted to the Rockwell Charge, and that the Board of Ministerial Sustentation of Potomac Synod be requested to continue its appropriation of $200. We further recommend that the Board of Managers of

Nazareth Orphans' Home be requested to further supplement the salary in the sum of $100.

11. Request of Second Church, Lexington, for financial aid in their church-building operations.

We recommend the granting of $2000 to Second Reformed Congregation of Lexington with the condition that the congregation pay the interest till Classis can fund the amount according to the custom now in vogue.

12. Request of Trinity Congregation, Concord, for financial aid toward their new church building.

We recommend the granting of $1500 to supplement the $500 previously given, with the condition that the congregation pay the interest till Classis can fund the amount according to the custom now in effect.

13. Request of Gilead Charge for sustentation.

We recommend that sustentation to the amount of $300 be granted to the Gilead Charge should they secure a regular pastor, provided the charge raise not less than $900 for pastoral support.

14. Request of Gilead Charge for continuation of present Supply Committee consisting of Revs. J. H. Keller and L. A. Peeler and Elder R. T. Lippard.

We recommend that the request be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. PALMER,
MILTON WHITENER,
W. S. BARGER.

St. Mattehw's Reformed Church, Lincoln Charge, R. F. D., Maiden, N. C., was selected as the place, and Wednesday, May 11, A. D. 1927, at 11 o'clock a. m. as the time of the next annual meeting.

ARTICLE XII.

DELEGATES TO POTOMAC SYNOD.

All the ministers and the elder from each pastoral charge constitute the delegates to the Synod of the Potomac, which meets in general convention.

ARTICLE XIII.

MINUTES OF POTOMAC SYNOD.

Report of the committee and action of Classis:

Your Committee on Minutes of Potomac Synod would report the following items as claiming the attention of Classis:

1. Page 5. The following members attended the meeting of Synod in Carlisle, Pa., October, 1925: Revs. J. C. Leonard, D. D., W. H. McNairy, L. A. Peeler, J. A. Koons, J. C. Peeler, W. C. Lyerly, H. A. Welker, H. A. Fesperman, F. L. Fesperman, Milton Whitener, C. W. Warlick, A. O. Leonard, B. J. Peeler, A. C. Peeler, George Longaker, D. D., Elmer R. Hoke, Ph. D., and John W. Meyers. Elders, J. T. Hedrick and Edgar Whitener.

2. Page 20. The Classical Committees on Vacancy and Supply are requested to give quarterly reports of vacancies and names of ministers who desire pastorates.

3. Synod's action concerning Social Service and Rural Work.

(a) The attention of Classes and the consistories of vacant rural fields is called to the splendid work rendered by theological students during the summer months.

(b) Congregations are challenged to provide expenses for their pastors to attend summer schools.

(c) Classes and congregations are urged to co-operate with other denominations through church federations.

(d) Classical Committees and pastors are urged to continue the study of prison conditions.

4. Page 24. Synod requests Classes to arrange for the completion of the Seminary Endowment Fund by May, 1926.

5. Page 24. The traveling expenses of all delegates to the meeting of Synod are to be paid out of the Contingent Fund of Synod. Only charges that have paid the contingent in full shall be entitled to the payment of these expenses for their delegates.

6. A committee, with Dr. S. R. Wagner as chairman, has been appointed to receive and hold funds for a "Home for the Aged and Infirm."

7. Page 26. Rev. George Longaker has been elected a Trustee of Catawba College.

8. Page 26. Synod complies with the request of North Carolina Classis to meet on Tuesday instead of Monday evening.

9. Classes requested to appoint a Classical Committee on Week-Day Religious Education.

10. Page 30. The work of the American Tract Society is recommended to be placed upon the benevolent budget of the congregations.

11. Page 55. A suggestion to committees arranging programs for meetings of Classis to give a place to the cause represented by the Board of Christian Education.

12. Pages 66 and 67. Synod's requests with reference to Missions.

(a) The wider support of the Outlook of Missions is urged.

(b) Classes and congregations are requested to observe Home and Foreign Mission Days with special offerings.

(c) Diligent efforts are to be made to redeem Forward Movement pledges before the meeting of General Synod.

(d) Synod urges that every effort be put forth to pay the apportionments for Missions in full.

(e) The importance of keeping the matter of Church-building Funds before the people is urged upon Classes and congregations.

(f) The co-operation of Classes and congregations is requested in the observance of the 100th Anniversary of the Board of Home Missions.

13. Page 74. Synod's action with reference to Publication and Sunday Schools.

(a) Congregations are urged to establish a Department of Good Literature.

(b) The support of the business departments of our publishing houses is urged.

(c) The acceptance and payment of 15c. per member for Publication and Sunday Schools is urged.

(d) Classical Committees on Publication and Sunday Schools are to exercise diligent care in the preparation of their statistical reports.

14. Page 78. Synod urges the acceptance and payment of the full apportionment of 15c. per member for Ministerial Relief.

15. Page 86. The attention of Classes is called to the advisability of reconstructing charges wherever possible in order to provide adequate pastoral support.

16. The apportionments are as follows: Historical Society, $20; Potomac Synod Contingent, $247; General Synod Contingent, $343; Beneficiary Education, $1369; Ministerial Sustentation, $274; Theological Seminary, $1079; American Bible Society, $110; Publica-

tion and Sunday Schools, $1144; Catawba College, $762; Board of Christian Education, $44; Traveling Expenses Delegates to Synod, $355; Ministerial Relief, 15c. per member.

17. Page 92. Young People's work.

(a) Pastors are to give careful attention to the organization of their young people.

(b) Training Camps, Missionary Conferences and Schools of Religious Education are endorsed and recommended.

(c) Synod recommends the observance of Young People's Day the second Sunday in October, with a free-will offering toward the Young People's work of our Church.

18. Page 95. Each Classis is requested to appoint a permanent Committee on Evangelism and Spiritual Resources.

19. Page 99. Potomac Synod meets on Tuesday, October 19, 1926, at 8 p. m. (The officers of Synod selected Immanuel Reformed Church, Baltimore, Md., as the place of meeting.)

20. Page 100. Revs. C. E. Wehler, D. D., F. B. Peck, J. C. Leonard, D. D., Shuford Peeler, and Elders J. P. Linn, W. G. Hinkle are nominees for Trustees of Catawba College.

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. M. HOLSHOUSER,
MILTON WHITENER,
EDGAR WHITENER.

Under Item 9 the chairman of the Committee on Sunday Schools was appointed chairman of Week-Day Religious Instruction.

With Item 12 under consideration, Mr. J. S. Wise, Treasurer of the Board, presented the cause of Home Missions, and Rev. Sterling W. Whitener, of China, and Rev. Frank L. Fesperman, of Japan, the cause of Foreign Missions.

Under Items 13 and 16 the Classis voted to assume 10c. per member for the Publication and Sunday School Board; also to place the item of traveling expenses in the column of Synodical Contingent.

Under Item 20 Rev. Shuford Peeler gave notice that he declined to serve as a Trustee of Catawba College because he was connected officially with the institution. Thereupon Jacob O. Moose was elected by Classis to fill this vacancy, and the Synod of the Potomac was requested to endorse this action.

ARTICLE XIV.

MISSIONS.

Report and action of Classis:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Missions beg leave to submit the following report:

The following papers have come into our hands: 1. Report of the Board of Foreign Missions. 2. Report of the Board of Home Missions.

1. We note with sorrow the tragic death of Rev. E. Warner Lentz, Jr., in Jerusalem, while on his way as a missionary to Baghdad; also the sickness of Mrs. Ezra H. Guinther and Mrs. Louis C. Bysted.

We rejoice that during the year sixteen new missionaries were sent into the various mission fields of our Church. We call attention to the need yet of three ordained men to fill vacancies in Japan and two in Mesopotamia.

We commend the project to raise $100,000 for Huping Christian College to provide for needed buildings, which shall be erected as memorials to Missionaries Reimert, Winter, Laubach and Dr. Jas. I. Good.

Among the missionaries home on furlough, we rejoice in the presence of Revs. Sterling W. Whitener, from China and Frank L. Fesperman, from Japan, and pray that God will richly bless their efforts in their respective fields.

2. We note with sorrow the death of Supt. Souders, of the Immigrant Department. The work laid down by him has been delegated to the General Secretary and the Presidents of the Hungarian Classes.

We note with satisfacton the creation of a Department of Evangelism with a view of appointing a Superintendent to have general oversight of Evangelism throughout the Church.

We rejoice that six missions went to self-support last year, and that 51 Church-building Funds were enrolled during the year. This marks the passing of the 1000th Fund.

We recommend and urge the observance of Home and Foreign Mission Days on November 14 and in February.

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. FESPERMAN,
B. J. PEELER,
J. THOS. LEONARD.

ARTICLE XV.

NOMINATIONS.

The Committee on Nominations presented the following report, which was adopted:

Orphans' Home Board—Geo. H. Moose, B. S. Shuford, W. H. McNairy, J. E. Holshouser, J. L. Fleming, J. A. Palmer.

Auxiliary Board—Mrs. J. Thomas Leonard, Mrs. L. A. Corriher, Dr. Caroline McNairy, Mrs. P. A. Linn, Mrs. H. J. Conrad, Mrs. Clarence Clapp.

Mrs. Rebecca Solliday Church Building Fund—C. C. Wagoner, J. A. Koons.

Trustees of Classis—We suggest the present members to be retained.

Missionary and Stewardship Committee—Milton Whitener, J. A. Palmer, B. J. Peeler, H. A. M. Holshouser, J. C. Peeler, C. C. Wagoner, M. F. Crooks, M. C. Barnhart, G. H. Moose, W. R. Weaver.

Treasurer of Classis—Milton Whitener. We recommend retention of present incumbent.

George G. Solliday Beneficiary Education Committee — B. J. Peeler, H. A. Fesperman, J. C. Peeler, E. R. Hoke, L. A. Peeler, M. C. Barnhart.

Respectfully submitted,

C. W. WARLICK,
H. A. WELKER,
E. D. FOX.

Classis proceeded to vote by ballot. The President appointed A. O. Leonard, O. B. Michael, J. W. Myers, who subsequently certified the election of the following:

Board of Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home — W. H. McNairy, G. H. Moose, B. S. Shuford.

Ladies' Auxiliary—Mrs. J. Thomas Leonard, Mrs. L. A. Corriher, Dr. Caroline McNairy.

Mrs. Rebecca Solliday Church Building Fund—C. C. Wagoner.

Trustees of Classis—C. C. Wagoner, T. L. Hunsucker, Clarence Clapp.

Treasurer of Classis—Milton Whitener.

George G. Soliday Beneficiary Education Fund—B. J. Peeler, E. R. Hoke, M. C. Barnhart.

Missionary and Stewardship Committee—Milton Whitener, J. A. Palmer, B. J. Peeler, M. F. Crooks, W. R. Weaver.

ARTICLE XVI.

STATE OF THE CHURCH.

Report and action of Classis:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on the State of the Church has tabulated the statistics and read the parochial reports. If all these reports had been as brief as some, one would have received very little information by reading them, and it would have required a very vivid imagination. But I want to commend the majority of the brethren who took enough time and thought to give facts and conditions of their work that your committee could intelligently write this report.

We would praise and magnify the name of the Lord for the great blessings that have attended the labors of the brethren in this part of Zion. The Sunday Schools in the various fields have made commendable progress.

In some places there have been great revivals, and large numbers have been added to the Church. One of the permanent results has been a great wave of spiritual activity, where the laymen are realizing their responsibility as never before to do the Lord's work. They are conducting the mid-week prayer service, and, in the absence of the pastor, some of the regular services. This is as it should be. This I declare is real progress. Other places a great church program has been put on and successfully carried forward.

New churches have been erected in different parts of the Classis, at Concord Trinity Reformed, Ursinus at Rockwell, First Reformed at Waughtown, and the First Reformed at Burlington expect to build their new church this year.

Besides, in the church life there has been a large program to meet all the needs of the community.

We rejoice to note that even with the increased apportionment a goodly number have paid their apportionment in full.

The successes and progress of the year have been attended by difficulties. The textile slump in our towns and the long dry spell in our rural sections have in some cases decreased the finances of the Church.

There is also a very sad note when we recognize the fact of two elders passing into eternity from Trinity, Concord, Christenberry

Holshouser and Herbert E. Bost. Elder E. T. Hedrick, who was a charter member of First Church, High Point, and Elder Edwin A. Rothrock, who was a charter member of First Church, Lexington. Besides, a number of our noble women were called to the Heavenly Life.

Some of our young ministers are taking work in Union Theological Seminary and Columbia University and the North Western University. They are realizing the fact that they cannot be too well prepared for the high and holy calling of the gospel ministry.

When we compare the gains with last year they are indeed small, only 87 in a gain of the total membership. There have been too many losses and erasures of names. In one church 56 names have been erased. This is a sad state of affairs. The total for benevolences has decreased about $8000. One fact that ought to encourage us very much is the fine increase of those attending the sacred Communion services. When we come to the Sunday School statistics our hearts greatly rejoice, for here there is a greater gain. In the Sunday School lies the future hope of the Church.

A goodly number have entered upon departmental work, with graded lessons, and this is the only way by which there can be inculcated into the minds of these young lives the truths which are the foundation of their lives.

If we consider the work of the Church in our Classis from every point of view, we believe that it has moved on and that commendable progress has been made in that part of Zion. May the Lord lead us on in a greater work during the coming year is our earnest prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

HARVEY A. WELKER,
FRANK L. FESPERMAN,
A. A. KEENER.

ARTICLE XVII.

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING.

The next annual meeting of the Classis of North Carolina will be in St. Matthew's Reformed Church, Lincoln Charge, Maiden, North Carolina, Wednesday morning, May 11, A. D. 1927, at 11 o'clock.

ARTICLE XVIII.

EDUCATION.

Report of the Trustees of Catawba College:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Dear Fathers and Brethren:—At the close of this, the first year of the work of the new Catawba College at Salisbury, we are pleased to submit our annual report to your body. The College work has been blessed during the past year, and all its affairs appear to be in a healthy and prosperous condition.

The College was formally reopened, Zartman Hall dedicated, and the President inaugurated during the year, with notable addresses on these occasions. A student body of 127 was in attendance, which is considered very good for the first year. The faculty has won the confidence of all by its reputation for scholarship, professional standing and high standards of work. The student body and faculty are expected to be practically doubled for next year, and some strong men have been secured to join the faculty.

The College was inspected during the year, and given full credit for four years of work, thus reaching our ambition in this direction. The library has grown, as have also the science laboratories, by considerable additions during the year.

Worthy of special mention is the awarding of the contract for a splendid new gymnasium. All in all, the College is rapidly acquiring both a physical equipment and a staff of well-qualified teachers and workers, such as will make it an outstanding institution, and attract much attention.

The various student organizations have been brought back to life, and all phases of student activities have been carried on rather successfully. The work done by the Blue Masque, the College Dramatic Club, has been noteworthy.

The financial status of the College, as shown by the appended reports, is better than ever before, and it is the source of much gratification to the friends of this cause. The deficit for the first year is not so large as it might have been expected, and it is predicted by the President of the College that it will at least be balanced by the surplus of next year.

It is suggested that committees should be appointed to prepare for the adequate celebration of the 75th Anniversary of the College, Dec. 17, 1926.

Respectfully submitted,

For the Trustees of the College by

ELMER R. HOKE, President.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

To the Board of Trustees of Catawba College:

I herewith present my report as Treasurer of Catawba College:

G. G. Solliday Fund—		
Received April 30, 1926, Interest	$ 1200 00	
Paid to Ministerial Students		$ 900 00
Transferred to Rebecca Solliday Ch.-B. F'd		300 00
	$ 1200 00	$ 1200 00
Rebecca Solliday Church Building Fund—		
May 1, 1925, Balance		$ 5724 93
Interest collected from Schlatter Mem. Church		26 67
Interest on $4824.93 at 2 per cent		96 50
April 30, 1926, unexpended from G. G. Solliday Fund		300 00
May 1, 1926, Balance		$ 6148 10
Emanuel Pontius, Pres. Home Building Fund—		
May 1, 1925, Balance		$ 925 58
April 30, 1926, Interest		55 50
May 1, 1926, Balance		$ 981 08
Library Endowment Fund—		
May 1, 1925, Balance		$ 1620 12
May 1, 1926, Balance		1620 12
Forward Movement Account—		
Previously received, H. E. Paisley, Treas.		$ 28951 67
Previously received, Home Mission Board		44952 20
Total May 1, 1925		$ 73903 87
Received May 1, 1925, to April 30, 1926,		
H. E. Paisley	$ 7250 00	
From the Home Mission Board	1823 80	
Tot. received May 1, '25, to Apr. 30, '26		9073 80
Total receipts to April 30, 1926		$ 82977 67
Catawba College Newton Property—		
Balance May 1, 1926		$ 23533 74
North Carolina Classis Campaign—		
Subscriptions outstanding May 1, 1925		$133172 90

New Subscript. May 1, '25, to Apr. 30, '26		1650 00
Total to May 1, 1926		134822 90
Cash paid on above to April 30, 1926		12623 94
Subscriptions outstanding May 1, 1926		$122198 96
Campaign in Church Outside of North Carolina—		
Subscriptions outstanding May 1, 1925		$ 49936 17
New Subscript. May 1, '25, to Apr. 30, '26		15901 68
Total to May 1, 1926		65837 85
Cash paid on above to April 30, 1926		25105 51
Subscriptions outstanding May 1, 1926		$ 40732 34
Salisbury Campaign—		
Subscriptions outstanding May 1, 1925		$151643 50
Paid on above to April 30, 1926		17255 29
Subscriptions outstanding May 1, 1926		$134388 21
W. M. S. and G. M. G. Fund—		
W. M. S. Subscription		$ 25000 00
G. M. G. Subscription		3100 00
Total subscribed		$ 28100 00
Paid to April 30, 1926, by W. M. S.	$ 13400 00	
by G. M. G	3100 00	16500 00
Balance May 1, 1926		$ 11600 00
Additional Endowments and Subscriptions to April 30, 1926—		
North Carolina Classis		$ 50000 00
W. M. S. and G. M. G		28100 00
North Carolina Classis Campaign		1650 00
Outside of North Carolina		15901 68
Kauffman English Literature Alcove Endowment		442 30
Forward Movement		9073 80
Total		$105167 78
Masonic Loan Fund—		
Gift of the Masonic Fraternity	$750 00	
Interest to April 20, 1926	22 50	772 50
Loan to student		100 00
Balance May 1, 1926		$672 50

STATEMENT AS OF MAY 1, 1926.

G. G. Solliday Endowment	$ 20000 00
General Endowment	17000 00
Alumni Endowment	13689 00
Rebecca Solliday Ch.-Bldg. Fund	6148 10
Emanuel Pontius Home Building Fund	981 08
Library Endowment	1620 12
Forward Movement	82977 67
Building and Endowment Subscriptions	230452 84
Endowment Subscriptions	136372 00
Gifts and Accumulations	190807 74
Classis of North Carolina Note	50000 00
W. M. S. and G. M. G. Fund	28100 00
J. R. Kauffman Alcove of Eng. Lit. End	442 30
Masonic Loan Fund	672 50
Bills Payable	60000 00

Invested as follows:

Home Mission Board Notes	$ 20000 00
Real Estate Mortgages	39422 30
Salisbury, Administration Building	231328 14
Zartman Hall	46059 44
Grounds	28251 30
Water and Sewer Systems	2756 99
Books, Equipment and Furniture	43221 13
R. Solliday Church Building Fund Note	900 00
Bonds	1000 00
College Building and 22 Lots, Newton	23533 74
Subscriptions, Campaign outside of N. C.	40732 34
Subscriptions, Salisbury Campaign	134388 21
Subscriptions, North Carolina Classis	122198 96
A. R. Brodbeck Stock and Contract	4000 00
Classis of North Carolina Note	50000 00
W. M. S. Fund, Outstanding	11600 00
Gymnasium, Excavation	480 00
Certificate of Deposit, Masonic Loan Fund	672 50
Cash on hand	35242 46
DEFICIT	3475 84
	$839263 35 $839263 35

Respectfully submitted,

G. A. FISHER, Treasurer.

Report and action of Classis:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Education beg leave to submit the following:

The report of the President of Catawba College, with the Treasurer's report attached, was placed before your body and you have no doubt given it consideration. From the report we learn that a successful school has been conducted, having been opened on Sept. 14, 1925, after a two years' close. The enrollment for the year was 127. Zartman Hall was completed at the opening of the school year and has been occupied by the girls during the year. This building was made possible by the Thank Offering of the Woman's Missionary Society of Reformed Church in the U. S. It is with profound joy that we also learn that during the early part of this year Catawba College was accredited by the State Committee and is now on the "A" grade list of Colleges. A strong faculty has been in the employ of the College during this year. We are-looking forward to a much larger school for the next year. The faculty has been greatly increased, and next year we will have one of the strongest faculties in the State. We note with pleasure the employment of Gabriel Zsigmondy, of Hungary, as head of the Music Department, which seems to indicate one of the strongest music courses in the State. We note in the President's report that a number of students were dropped during the year, which only goes to prove the efficient work the school proposes to do. We notice also with pleasure that the budget for this first year was more nearly met than was expected. An important thing done during the year, which will be of great help to the College, was the laying of an apportionment of 10c. per member for Catawba College by Potomac Synod. We also note with pleasure that over $400,000 has been subscribed on the Endowment and Building Fund. Another important step taken was the awarding of a contract for the new gymnasium on April 2, which building is to be ready for use in the fall term.

Your committee therefore presents the following for your consideration and adoption:

1. That Classis note with deep satisfaction the evidence of the re-establishment of this historic institution of learning so intimately identified with the life and growth of the Reformed Church in the South on a bsais that offers hope for a permanent place in the front rank of the educational institutions of the State.

2. That Classis notes with pleasure the interest that has been shown by the people in Salisbury, throughout the Classis, and in the North in helping to bring the Endowment Fund to that point which will make it a safe and sound College.

3. That Classis most heartily thanks our people throughout the State for paying interest on their notes given on the Endowment Fund, which has been a great aid in helping to pay current expenses.

4. That Classis urges our people, who have not made suscriptions to the College, in view of the encouraging progress, to make subscriptions so as to thereby further strengthen the work.

5. The Classis and the Board of Trustees wish to express gratitude to the W. M. S. of General Synod for their magnificent gifts of $28,100.00 to the building of Zartman Hall, and wish at the same time to urge them to complete the building, the total cost of which is $46,205.00.

6. That pastors and elders lend their assistance in enrolling a larger student body for next year, and also urge their people to be prompt in payment of pledges and interest for Catawba College.

7. That Classis join with the Board of Trustees in overturing General Synod for an apportionment for Catawba College.

8. That Classis extends most hearty thanks to the Synod of the Potomac for laying an apportionment for the College.

9. That Classis heartily commends the suggestion to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the College on December 17, 1926, and that a committee of Classis be appointed to carry out the plans for this celebration.

10. That Classis recommends that the Board of Trustees hereafter furnish in addition to the balance sheet a statement of actual receipts and expenditures on operation for the year.

11. That the following nominees for the office of Trustees of Catawba College named by the Potomac Synod be elected: Revs. C. E. Wehler, D. D., F. B. Peck, J. C. Leonard, D. D.; Elders J. P. Linn, W. G. Hinkle and J. O. Moose—the last named being substituted for the Rev. Shuford Peeler, whose name at his own request has been withdrawn, and that Synod be asked to ratify this action.

Respectfully submitted,

SHUFORD PEELER,
H. A. FESPERMAN,
W. R. WEAVER.

The committee called for in this action consists of H. A. Fesperman, W. C. Lyerly, W. R. Weaver.

ARTICLE XI.

FINANCE.

Report of the Treasurer:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

	Receipts on Apportionment												
	Total Apportionment	Classical Contingent	Synodical Contingent	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Ministerial Relief	Publication and S. S.	Beneficiary Education	Theological Seminary	Sustentation	Bible Society	Total Paid
Balance, 1925		1834 44	201 83									2036 27
Burlington	806 18	164 05	15 44	246 02	265 87	28 95	19 [illegible]	38 60	19 30	6 76	1 89	806 18
Mt. Hope	502 90	92 57	10 48									103 05
Brick	468 23	105 40	9 92	16 90	23 10	2 68		5 00				163 00
St. Mark's	446 19	59 78	8 24									68 02
Greensboro	1377 87	255 00	24 00	260 00	260 00	45 00	22 50	60 00	15 00	8 50	2 50	952 50
High Point	907 43	162 35	15 28	200 00	211 00	28 65	19 10	38 20	19 10	6 69	2 86	703 23
Thomasville	781 17	146 20	13 76	120 43	120 50	25 80	10 34	34 40		6 02		477 45
Emanuel	680 80	235 14	14 56	10 65								260 35
Calvary	429 85	44 32	9 68									54 00
Zion	504 50											
First, Lexington	2333 30	442 00	41 60	498 00	498 00	78 00	52 00	104 00	52 00	18 20	7 80	1791 60
Second, Lexington	735 20	165 75	15 60	209 95	226 90	29 25	19 50	39 00	19 50	6 83	2 92	735 20
Pilgrim	981 06	202 30	19 04	50 00	100 00							371 34
Beulah	1285 49	176 35	25 04									201 39
Bethany	320 25	43 60	6 40									50 00
Hedrick's Grove	491 79	114 75	10 80			8 45						134 00
Mt. Tabor	375 47	89 25	8 40			7 60		2 35				107 60
Beck's	695 38	89 75	14 00			11 16						114 91
Jerusalem	122 60	19 25	2 80			4 07						26 12
Schlatter Memorial	373 35	85 00	8 00	107 39	112 96	15 00	10 00	20 00	10 00	3 50	1 50	373 35
Waughtown	454 63	95 20	8 96	75 00	70 00	16 80	7 72	22 40		3 92		300 00
Hebron	361 37	85 85	8 08	7 93								101 86
Bethlehem	155 61	16 82	3 68									20 50
Salisbury	862 00	183 60	17 28	252 21	279 31	32 40	21 60	43 20	21 60	7 56	3 24	862 00
Ursinus	546 04	113 05	10 64	100 00	100 00	19 95	6 14	26 60	5 00	4 66	1 00	387 04
Bethany	269 39	48 45	4 56	88 87	93 31	8 55	5 70	11 40	5 70	2 00	85	269 39
St. Luke's	211 09	45 90	4 32	27 50	27 50	6 19	2 00	6 89	2 00	1 89	81	125 00
Shiloh	506 98	117 30	11 04	57 00	61 20	11 36	5 80	19 04	4 49	3 00		290 23
Grace	474 38	105 40	9 92	67 00	69 90	12 00	9 22	16 56	5 00	3 00	1 00	299 00
Mt. Hope	220 65	56 10	5 28	17 00	17 00	4 00	2 00	7 62		1 00		110 00

TREASURER'S REPORT.

	Receipts on Apportionment												
	Total Apportionment	Classical Contingent	Synodical Contingent	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Ministerial Relief	Publication and S. S.	Beneficiary Education	Theological Seminary	Sustentation	Bible Society	Total Paid
Mt. Zion	1231 94	251 62	23 68	375 89	500 00	44 40	29 60	59 20	29 60	10 36	4 42	1328 77
Landis	555 62	108 80	10 24	71 00	304 00	8 00	5 00	11 00	5 00	1 75	35	525 14
Kannapolis	587 53	103 70	9 76	188 78	212 09	18 30	12 20	24 40	12 20	4 27	1 83	587 53
St. Paul's	288 10	56 95	5 36	40 00	40 00	7 69	5 00	12 00				167 00
Concord	816 13	136 85	12 88			27						150 00
New Gilead	497 95	176 13	10 00			37						176 50
Keller	235 60	95 38	4 32	2 79								102 49
St. James'	408 16	66 30	6 24	65 50	65 50	8 46	3 00	10 00	3 00	2 00		230 00
Bethel, Bear Creek	794 51	189 93	16 72	55 85	52 50	15 00	5 00	15 00				350 00
Boger	289 71	79 00	6 00									75 00
Charlotte	698 59	110 50	10 40	233 03	266 60	19 50	13 00	26 00	13 00	4 55	1 95	698 59
Lincolnton	361 36	61 20	5 76	118 98	132 22	10 80	7 20	14 40	7 20	2 52	1 08	361 36
Maiden	367 89	64 60	6 08	47 56	47 50	11 40	5 00	15 20		2 66		200 00
St. Matthew's	392 97	79 90	7 52	46 00	46 00	14 10	6 68	18 80	3 00	2 00		224 00
Salem	154 20	26 35	2 48	50 70	56 07	4 65	3 10	6 20	3 10	1 09	46	154 20
Newton	1139 34	184 45	17 36	182 50	182 50	30 00	15 49	35 00	12 60	7 60	2 00	669 50
St. Paul's	452 89	97 75	9 20									106 95
Grace	377 81	65 84	7 28									73 12
Bethel	357 02	74 80	7 04			34						82 18
Daniel's	233 48	44 20	4 16	40 00	40 00	5 00	3 00	9 00	1 14	1 00		147 50
Conover	334 67	75 65	7 12	52 23	35 00	12 00	4 00	14 00				200 00
Smyrna	218 95	6 60	4 40									11 00
Brookford	310 91	73 62	6 40									80 02
Bethany	145 75	25 00										25 00
Hickory	1879 88	327 25	30 80	606 27	1193 51	57 75	38 50	77 00	38 50	13 48	5 77	2388 83
Murphy Memorial	72 41											
Lenoir	369 98	56 95	5 36	124 28	143 09	10 05	6 70	13 40	6 70	2 45	1 00	369 98
Beulah (Int.)		30 00										
Hedrick's Grove (Int.)		58 50										
Shiloh (Int.)		105 00										
Wachovia Bank (Int.)		56 42										
	32253 50	8265 16	795 19	4713 21	5853 19	673 94	375 39	855 86	313 73	139 26	45 23	22029 16

RECEIPTS—SPECIALS.

Home Missions—Lenoir, $19.00; Salisbury, $25.67; total, $44.67.

Foreign Missions—Greensboro, $6.25; Lenoir, $33.75; total, $40.

Orphans' Home—St. Mark's, $14.00; Greensboro, $34.35; High Point, $86.00; Emanuel, $12.30; Calvary, $27.10; Zion, $8.85; First, Lexington, $231.47; Hebron, $6.40; total, $420.47.

Orphans' Home Building Fund — Greensboro, $417.05; High Point, $10.00; total, $427.05.

Orphans' Home, Faith Table—Greensboro, $40.00; First, Lexington, $50.00; Waughtown, $16.50; Hebron, $11.50; Bethlehem, $6.25; Lenoir, $35.00; total, $159.25.

Catawba College, Endowment Fund—Greensboro, $20.00.

Near East Relief—Mt. Zion, $33.57; Lenoir, $17.00; total, $50.57.

DISBURSEMENTS.

Classical Contingent Fund—

Printing and mailing Standard	$ 794 03	
Editor Standard, salary	50 00	
Stated Clerk, salary and expenses	112 56	
Treasurer's salary and expenses	108 30	
Missionary and Stewardship Com., expenses	8 75	
Solliday Beneficiary Committee, expenses	3 00	
Geo. T. Brown, use of Church	10 00	
Sustentation Department, Board of Ministerial Relief, premiums	577 45	
Rev. H. A. M. Holshouser, sustentation	200 00	
Rev. J. D. Maeder, sustentation	50 00	
Carolina Printing Co., printing Minutes of Classis	277 20	
Executive Committee, expenses	14 25	
Special Committee on Waughtown Matter, exp	4 50	
Interest on indebtedness	141 50	
Apportionment for Historical Society	20 00	
Apportionment for Board of Christian Education	42 00	
Paid on indebtedness of Classis	500 00	
Trinity Church, Concord, Church building grant	500 00	
Mailing charges, Minutes of Synod	8 50	
Catawba College, interest on note	3000 00	
Catawba College, arrearage on apportionment, 1924-1925		180 53
		$6602 57

Home Missions:		
J. S. Wise, Treasurer	$4713 21	
Home Missions, Special:		
J. S. Wise, Treasurer	44 67	
Foreign Missions:		
A. R. Bartholomew, Secretary	5853 19	
Foreign Missions, Special:		

A. R. Bartholomew, Secretary	40 00	
Ministerial Relief:		
E. L. McLean, Treasurer	673 94	
Publication and Sunday School:		
C. O. Althouse, Treasurer	375 39	
Beneficiary Education:		
A. S. Weber, Treasurer	855 86	
Theological Seminary:		
J. Travers Thomas, Treasurer of Synod	313 73	
Ministerial Sustentation:		
J. Travers Thomas, Treasurer of Synod	139 26	
American Bible Society:		
J. Travers Thomas, Treasurer of Synod	45 23	
General Synod Contingent:		
J. Travers Thomas, Treasurer of Synod	327 00	
Potomac Synod Contingent:		
J. Travers Thomas, Treasurer of Synod	247 00	
Nazareth Orphans' Home:		
George H. Moose, Treasurer	420 47	
J. T. Hedrick, Treas. Building Fund	427 05	
I. M. Byrd, Faith Table	159 25	
Catawba College Endowment:		
Shuford Peeler, Bursar	20 00	
Near East Relief:		
J. M. Scott, Treasurer	50 57	
		$14705 92

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

	Received	Disbursed	Balance
Classical Contingent	$ 8265 16	$ 6602 57	$1662 59
Synodical Contingent	795 19	574 00	221 19
Home Missions	4713 21	4713 21	
Foreign Missions	5853 19	5853 19	
Ministerial Relief	673 94	673 94	
Publication and Sunday School	375 39	375 39	
Beneficiary Education	855 86	855 86	
Theological Seminary	313 73	313 73	
Ministerial Sustentation	139 26	139 26	
American Bible Society	45 23	45 23	
Home Missions, Special	44 67	44 67	

Foreign Missions, Special.....	40 00	40 00	
Nazareth Orphans' Home.....	1006 77	1006 77	
Catawba College Endowment..	20 00	20 00	
Near East Relief.....	50 57	50 57	
	$23192 17	$21308 39	$1883 78

INDEBTEDNESS OF CLASSIS.

Hedrick's Grove.....	$ 850 00
Shiloh, Faith	600 00
Beulah	500 00
Trinity, Concord	500 00
	$2450 00

ARREARAGES.

Classical Contingent—Mt. Hope, Guilford, $38.53; St. Mark's, $91.70; Calvary, $117.89; Zion, $283.47; First, Lexington, $214.00; Beulah, $396.13; Bethany, Upper Davidson, $51.76; Beck's, $126.80; Jerusalem, $10.50; Bethlehem, $45.59; Boger, $0.87; Newton, $77.76; Grace, South Fork, $11.51; Bethany, Catawba, $85.19; Smyrna, $85.35; Murphy Memorial, $41.90.

Synodical Contingent—Zion, $11.12; Beulah, $25.60; Bethany, Catawba, $9.41; Murphy Memorial, $3.83.

MILTON WHITENER, Treasurer.

The Committee on Audit offered the following report, which was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

The Auditing Committee begs leave to report as follows: The Treasurer's accounts have been examined and found correct. The committee wishes to commend Brother Whitener for the business-like way in which he handles the funds and transacts the business of the Treasurer. Respectfully submitted,

J. A. PALMER,
O. B. MICHAEL,
K. L. LONG.

This committee was re-appointed.

The Committee on Finance presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Finance beg leave to submit the following items for apportionment per capita for the Classical year 1926-1927:

Classical Contingent	.90
Potomac and General Synod Contingent	.12½
Ministerial Relief	.15
Publication and S. S. Board	.10
Beneficiary Education	.18
Theological Seminary	.14
Ministerial Sustentation	.03½
American Bible Society	.01½
Catawba College	.10
	1.74½

We call attention of the congregations which have arrearages on Contingent to the Constitutional requirements. That Classis requests the Treasurer of every congregation to send all monies raised on apportionment for the Boards and institutions to the Treasurer of Classis. Respectfully submitted,

W. H. McNAIRY,
A. S. PEELER,
J. T. HEDRICK.

ARTICLE XX.

BENEVOLENT INSTITUTIONS.

Report of Nazareth Orphans' Home:

To the Classis of North Carolina:

The Board of Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home submit the following report for your consideration:

The Board held two regular and two call meetings during the year. The Executive Committee held five meetings during the year. The Board was re-organized August 5, 1925, by electing the following officers: J. W. Peeler, President; L. M. Peeler, Vice President; W. C. Lyerly, Secretary, and George H. Moose, Treasurer. These officers and B. S. Shuford constitute the Executive Committe.

The Board reports that Rev. W. H. McNairy re-considered his resignation reported a year ago and is with the Home in that capacity. The Board received applications for the admission of 25 children; 7 were received, 15 were declined and 3 are pending. Two have been dismissed, making the number of children in the Home 21 boys and 20 girls.

The Board has continued a school policy giving each child 8 months of school. All children except 3 were promoted. Bethany Reformed Church is the spiritual mother for the Home family. Religious instruction is supplemented in the Home.

The building operations are nearing completion. The Girls' Dormitory was entered Nov. 12, 1925. While the furnishing is not complete, your Board is pleased to announce that $720 has been received. The First Reformed Church of Charlotte furnished the parlor. A piano was purchased by special funds. The seats of the old Catawba College chapel are now a part of the furnishings of the Home chapel.

The 19th Anniversary was held Thursday, August 6, 1925. The address was delivered by Rev. Paul S. Leinbach, D. D., LL. D., editor of the Reformed Church Messenger. The 20th Anniversary will be held Thursday, August 5, 1926.

The Concert Class is being trained to go out this year. The Board desires that Classis urge all pastors and congregations to co-operate with Supt. McNairy in making itinerary so as to reach all congregations.

The Board announces that $1000.00 will be received from the estate of Elder Geo. A. Wood, of Chambersburg, Pa. The Board has received from Mr. M. L. Mantz, of Spencer, Ohio, another $500.00 for endowment. The Board reports that by the will of Mr. Robert Lefler the Home will receive $2000.00. The Board has received from the Duke Fund $410.00. The Board carries full insurance on all property.

The Board voted $120.00 out of the current funds for furnishing a room in recognition of Mr. George H. Moose, Treasurer of the Home since 1912, a testimonial for faithful service. The Board voted $120.00 out of the curent funds for furnishing a room in memory of the late Rev. Dr. J. M. L. Lyerly, Ph. D., President of the Board from 1904 to 1923, a testimonial for faithful service.

Mr. George H. Moose, Treasurer, submitted his annual report. It was audited, found correct and is herewith attached.

Mr. J. T. Hedrick, Treasurer of Building Funds, also chairman of the Finance Commitee, submited both annual and final reports. They were audited, found to be correct and are attached.

Mr. W. G. Hinkle, Treasurer of Endowment Funds, reported. This report is also attached.

The Board took action at their annual meeting, May 11, 1926, advising Classis to dissolve the Auxiliary Board at the Classis in

1927. The Board further recommends that the Classis in electing members to the Board give place to the election of women, members of the Reformed Church, in the same way and manner as members of the Board are elected.

The terms of office for the following expire at this session of the Classis: Board of Managers, Rev. W. H. McNairy, Mr. George H. Moose;Mr. B. S. Shuford; Auxiliary Board, Mrs. J. Thomas Leonard, Mrs. L. A. Corriher, Dr. Caroline McNairy.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. LYERLY.

SECRETARY BOARD OF MANAGERS.

The report of the Treasurer is as follows:

Summary of Receipts:

Balance May 1, 1925	1798 58
Donations, all sources	8542 27
Interest from Endowments	1279 50
Annuity, J. T. Hedrick Annuity	1250 00
Frey Estate, by Clerk of Court	865 91
All other sources	476 15
The total receipts are	$14212 41

Disbursements—

Salaries	$ 2955 00
Groceries	1561 56
Salary and Apportionment (Bethany)	324 22
Merchandise	452 12
Insurance	427 51
Electricity, oil and gas	571 55
Feed	1344 88
Sundry, Account by Superintendent	552 25
Printing, school supplies, etc	264 27
Live stock	250 00
Car of coal	286 34
General accounts	752 73
To the Commercial and Savings Bank of Lexington, loans for building	2700 00
Balance in the banks May 1, 1926	1769 98
The total expenditures	$14212 41

Supplement—

Balance in treasury for piano, May 1, 1925	$212 12
Received for this fund during year	190 95
Piano Fund	$403 07
Paid in part for piano	403 07
Balance in treasury for Building Funds, May, 1925	$ 50 00
Received during the year for Building Funds	395 00
Total receipts, Building Funds for furnishing rooms	$445 00
Paid to Mr. J. T. Hedrick, Treasurer	445 00
Received from Mr. M. L. Mantz, Spencer, O., Endowment	$500 00
Paid to Mr. W. G. Hinkle, Treasurer	500 00

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. H. MOOSE, Treasurer.

Report of the Treasurer of Endowment Funds:

Received during the year, M. L. Mantz Fund	$500 00

The Endowment Funds are:

D. H. Hinkle Fund	$ 500 00
Hoffman-Hodges Fund	2000 00
M. L. Mantz Fund	1000 00
J. M. May Fund	2500 00
Charles M. Owen Fund	100 00
Mr. and Mrs. George A. Wood Fund	4000 00
R. L. Leonard Fund	500 00
Martha Lula Frey Fund	100 00
Mary E. Santee Fund	5000 00
Total Endowments Funds	$15700 00

These Funds are invested as follows:

Armour &Co., 7% preferred stock	$ 2000 00
American Tobacco Co., 50 shares common stock	2500 00
Hunter Mfg. Co., 7% preferred stock	1500 00
Elk Furniture Co., 8% preferred stock	3200 00
Shoaf-Sink Hosiery Co., 8% preferred stock	1000 00
Lexington Grocery Co., 7% preferred stock	500 00
Loan to Building Fund, Girls' Dormitory	5000 00
Total	$15700 00

The J. T. Hedrick Annuity Bonds are	$32500 00
The dividends and annuities are	2529 50

Respectfully submitted,

W. G. HINKLE, Treasurer.

The Treasurer of the Building Funds reported:

Receipts

Balance May 1, 1925	$ 22 21
Received cash from subscriptions	3049 98
Received for furnishings	720 00
Received from loans	5700 00
Total receipts	$9492 19

Expenditures—

Contractor and sub-contractors	$7000 57
Sewage disposal plant	25 00
Electric fixtures	175 00
Interest	82 25
Water tank	1303 70
Screens	133 00
Furnishings	666 91
Cash	105 76
Total	$9492 19

The loans were reduced by payment of $2700.00 from current funds. The loans are $5000.00.

Total receipts for Building Funds for two years	$38662 84
Total expenditures	38557 08
Balance	$ 105 76

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. HEDRICK,

Treasurer Building Funds.

Total subscriptions for Building Funds	$20885 42
Total collections to date	17709 65
Outstanding subscriptions	$ 3175 77

J. T. HEDRICK,

Chairman Finance Committee.

The Treasurer of the Building Fund submits the following report:

Received from G. H. Moose, Treasurer	$12267 23
Sale of cement	196 64
Commission on tile	79 88
Interest	64 44
Loan	7700 00
Collected on subscriptions	17709 65
Collected for rooms	720 00
Total receipts	$38737 84

Expenditures—

Cantractor and sub-contractors (Girls' Dormitory)	$29157 58
Sewer system	500 00
Electric fixtures	175 00
Wiring	265 00
Heating	3000 00
Plumbing	2795 00
All other expenditures	340 39
Interest	220 50
Tank	1303 70
Screens	133 00
Furnishings	666 91
Cash on hand	180 76
Total	$38737 84

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. HEDRICK.

The committee on Benevolent Institutions presented the following report, which was received and adopted:

Your Committee on Benevolent Institutions would offer the following report:

The annual report and statement of the Board of Managers of the Nazareth Orphans' Home was carefully reviewed. The healthy condition of the institution, both spiritually and temporally, gives much reason for encouragement and inspiration. Everything indicates splendid management, and the year's work calls forth our hearty commendation. Endorsement is given the several actions, rulings and requests of the Board.

Classis would add its recognition of faithful service rendered by Rev. J. M. L. Lyerly, Ph. D., for many years President of the Board; of George H. Moose, the efficient Treasurer, and of J. T. Hedrick, whose unsparing time, attention and support made possible the execution of the building program.

Classis would urge the congregations to continue their liberal support of the tables on Anniversary Day, August 5th, the proceeds of which are most helpful to the Home.

Classis would ask that this worthy cause be presented in the various churches; especially in connection with the Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons.

Classis would make record of the special gifts and donations, such as: Geo. A. Wood, M. L. Mantz, Robert Lefler and First Reformed Church, Charlotte, for by these gifts definite, specific needs are met and the endowment is steadily augmented.

Classis expects her ministers to assist and co-operate in the itinerary of the concert class, to be arranged by the Superintendent.

Classis would dissolve the Ladies' Auxiliary Board, effective at the annual meeting of Classis in May, 1927.

Classis would make it possible for women members of the Reformed Church to be elected to membership on the Board of Managers in the same way as men are now elected.

GEORGE LONGAKER,
A. O. LEONARD,
G. L. WHITENER.

Rev. W. H. McNairy, Superintendent of the Home, was invited to address Classis in the interest of the institution.

The Committee on Ministerial Relief offered the following report, which was adopted:

To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Ministerial Relief submit the following report and recommendations:

The Board of Ministerial Relief of the Reformed Church in the United States is doing a splendid work in assisting in supporting aged ministers and the widows and children of ministers. This Board received in the year 1925-1926 through the apportionment of the Church the sum of $38,385.42, which was nearly $2000.00 less than was received two years ago. This should not be the case.

The annuitants of the Relief Department are largely paid from the money we receive through our apportionment for Ministerial Relief. The amount of money received through our apportionment

was not sufficient to care adequately for our aged and disabled ministers and ministers' widows last year. Our annuitants should at least receive twice as much as they now receive.

The Board in 1924, with Mr. George A. Huggins, studied the financial needs of our Church carefully and found that our Church must raise $1,328,550 in addition to what had been raised in previous campaigns, in order to complete the Fund and to pay the full benefits to its members. Therefore a financial campaign has been put on to raise this money.

The committee makes the following recommendations for the North Carolina Classis:

1. That Classis believes that our aged and disabled ministers and the widows of our ministers are not adequately supported by our Church, and therefore urges our church members to make more ample provision for their needs.

2. That Classis apportions 15c. per member for Ministerial Relief and urges every congregation to pay this small apportionment in full.

3. That Classis again makes provision for the payment of the Sustentation dues of its present ministers and of its prospective ministers of vacant charges.

4. That Classis urges every congregation to raise its full quota for the completion of the Sustentation Fund *as soon as possible*, which quota is five dollars per member.

5. That Classis urges every congregation to observe the Sunday before Thanksgiving Day, or a day as near this Sunday as possible, as Ministerial Relief Sunday, to render the special service prepared by the Board of Ministerial Relief on that day, and to make a special thankoffering for Ministerial Relief.

6. That Classis appoints a Ministerial Informant.

Respectfully submitted,

O. B. MICHAEL,
JOHN W. MYERS.

Rev. John L. Barnhart, D. D., of Baltimore, representing the Board of Ministerial Relief, was invited to address Classis in the interest of this work.

ARTICLE XXI.

EXAMINATION AND LICENSURE.

The following report was received and adopted:
To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Examination and Licensure beg leave to report that no applicants were referred to us.

Respectfully submitted,
J. H. KELLER,
GEORGE LONGAKER.

ARTICLE XXII.

MINUTES OF GENERAL SYNOD.

Report and action of Classis:
To the Reverend Classis of North Carolina:

As no items of business from General Synod came to this meeting of Classis for consideration, we have nothing to report.

Respectfully submitted,
L. A. PEELER,
W. H. McNAIRY,
E. S. KLUTTS.

ARTICLE XXIII.

PRESS.

Report and action of Classis:
To the Classis of North Carolina:

Your committee furnished to the State Press the proceedings of Classis, and will furnish articles for the church papers.

W. C. LYERLY,
J. O. MOOSE.

ARTICLE XXIV.

NECROLOGY.

Report and action of Classis:

Your Committee on Necrology beg to report that no deaths have

occurred in our ministerial ranks during the year, and for this providential care we are profoundly grateful.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. ANDREW,
J. H. KELLER,
I. T. HEDRICK.

ARTICLE XXV.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The following action on Church Union was taken as an overture to General Synod:

WHEREAS, In years past much time and effort have been expended by the Reformed Church in the United States looking to closer union with other denominations in Reformed and Presbyterian families, the same having failed of full fruition, though educational and inspirational in effect, and

WHEREAS, Through the passing of years it becomes more and more evident that in many sections of the Reformed Church in the United States, particularly border and frontier communities and also other territory, waste, overlapping and harmful competition are especially glaring.

Resolved, That the Classis of North Carolina, Synod of the Potomac, hereby overtures the General Synod, convening in the city of Philadelphia, May 26, A. D. 1926, again to appoint after reconstruction its commission on the subject of organic union with other Churches of Reformed and Presbyterian families.

Resolved, That since under a former plan the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America took favorable action on organic union with the Reformed Church in the United States (see Minutes of General Synod, 1914, page 47), and since at its sessions in 1925 the General Synod of the Reformed Church of America instructed its Commission on Church Union to continue negotiations with the Reformed Church in the United States (see Minutes of 1925, General Synod Reformed Church of America, page 881), this Commission on Church Union be instructed to give particular attention to union with the said two bodies, and, after conference with similar commissions of the said Reformed Church of

America and the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, to present to General Synod a plan of organic union with one or both of these bodies.

The following bills of finance were referred to the committee for apportionment: Stated Clerk's salary and expenses, $131.52; Treasurer's salary and expenses, $118.17; General Contingent, $350.00; printing Minutes of Classis, $350.00; church building, $700.00; Reformed Church Standard, $850.00; Board of Ministerial Relief, $625.00.

The Stated Clerk was instructed to write a letter of greeting to Revs. John Ingle and M. L. Hedrick, aged ministers of Classis.

Classis ordered that the full and final report of J. T. Hedrick, Treasurer of the building fund of the girls' dormitory of Nazareth Orphans' Home, be made a part of the report of the Board of Managers of the Home to the Classis.

The Committee on Nominations was instructed to report a double list of names in the report to Classis.

At the Wednesday afternoon session J. T. Hedrick offered his resignation as a member of the Board of Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home. Classis took the following action:

Resolved, That Mr. J. T. Hedrick be requested to withdraw his resignation as a member of the Board of Managers of Nazareth Orphans' Home.

The Treasurer was instructed to pay $5.00 expenses of Committee on Sunday Schools, and $3.00 expenses of Corresponding Secretary.

A vote of thanks was extended the Men's Double Quartet of Waughtown for the delightful music rendered Wednesday night.

The following resolution of thanks was adopted:

Resolved, That Classis give a vote of thanks to the pastor and people of the Hedrick's Grove Congregation for the opportunity of spending the time of these sessions in their midst, for the privilege of being in their homes to enjoy the generous hospitality of the same, for the bountiful dinner provided at the church each day, and for the use of their beautiful new church. The memory of these days will linger long in our minds, and the kindnesses here received have been gratefully accepted.

Resolved, Further, that the Treasurer of Classis be instructed to pay the congregation the sum of ten dollars for the use of their church.

ARTICLE XXVI.

RESUMPTION AND CLOSE.

The Committee on Leave of Absence offered the following report, which was adopted:

Your Committee on Leave of Absence beg leave to report that the following persons have been excused to go home: Wednesday afternoon—J. A. Koons, J. F. Troxler, M. P. Bain, J. S. Wear; Thursday afternoon—D. C. Cox, A. Shulenberger, H. A. Fesperman, J. D. Andrew, H. A. Welker, W. R. Weaver, J. Thos. Leonard, Wm. Barger, Albert Lyerly, C. F. Bumgarner, J. F. McKnight, H. E. Black, L. P. Wilson, A. A. Keener.

Respectfully submitted,

F. L. FESPERMAN,
C. W. WARLICK ,
J. S. WEAR.

At the final session Thursday evening, all business having been transacted, the roll was called, and all not previously excused answered to their names. The Minutes were read and approved and the Classis adjourned in form.

ARTICLE XXVII.

ADJOURNMENT.

The Classis adjourned finally Thursday evening at 5 o'clock, May 13, to meet in its 97th annual sessions in St. Matthew's Reformed Church, Lincoln Charge, R. F. D., Maiden, North Carolina, Wednesday, May 11, A. D. 1927, at 11 o'clock a. m.

STERLING W. WHITENER, President,
JACOB C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

Attest: Official copy from the original Minutes.

J. C. LEONARD, Stated Clerk.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

CONGREGATION	NAME OF SOCIETY	NAME AND ADDRESS OF SECRETARY	MEMBERSHIP				CONTRIBUTIONS			
			Enrollment	At College	Preparing for Christian Life Service	Delegates to Conferences and Conventions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Y. P. Dept. of Pub. and S. S. Board	Local Church and Society
First, Winston-Salem	Y. P. S. C. E.	Bertie F. Swaim, Winston-Salem, N. C.	39							94
Schlatter Memorial	C. P. U.	Wm. Crouch, R. 4, Winston-Salem, N. C.	40							10
	Girls' Reserve Club	Miss Frances Mann, Winston-Salem, N. C.	30							25
	Jr. Philathea	Miss Hazel Hooker, Winston-Salem, N. C.	20							10
	Baraca	Odell Thompson, Winston-Salem, N. C.	40							20
	Philathea	Miss Ethel Robins, Winston-Salem, N. C.	35							35
First, Lexington	Y. P. S. C. E.	Miss Wilma Beck, Lexington, N. C.	68	9	1	2	20			7
Second, Lexington	Y. P. S. C. E.	Sanford Stires, Lexington, N. C.	64			3				56
	Jr. C. E.	Miss Vannie Smith, Lexington, N. C.	47							3
First, Greensboro	Y. P. S. C. E.	Miss Ruth Capel, Greensboro, N. C.	30	2	1	4	10			20
	Jr. C. E.	Miss Annie Pitchford, Greensboro, N. C.	35				5	5		15
First, Burlington	Y. P. S. C. E.	Mrs. Ernest Mooneyham, Burlington, N. C.	39				22			27
	Jr. C. E.	Miss Margaret Burke, Burlington, N. C.	32							5
Corinth, Hickory	Y. P. S. C. E.	Norman Jones, Hickory, N. C.	27	5	4	6	15		2	9
New Gilead	Girls' Guild	Miss Margaret Penninger, Concord, N. C.	7				7	5		
St. Paul's	Young People's Society	Miss Lena Deal, Mooseville, N. C.	18	2		1				80
St. John's	Y. P. S. C. E.	Miss Martha Belk, Kannapolis, N. C.	12					5		5
First, Salisbury	Y. P. S. C. E.	Miss Margie Trexler, Salisbury, N. C.	32	3	4	6			21	80
			615	21	10	22	79	15	23	501

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Burlington	First	H. W. Coble, Burlington	7	10	22	29	26	15	40	48	10	110		317	195	170	30				75			126	212	Yes
2d, Lexington	Second	T. A. Swing, Lexington	5	9	70	48	39	58	24	31	71	101		456	275	141	10		160					173	401	Yes
Lincoln	Matthew's	D. F. Campbell, Lincolnton, R. 6	6	5	5	5	14	11	3	6	8	37		84	45	57	3				5	5	5	20	40	Yes
	Memorial	S. M. Finger, Maiden	6	6	4	11	8	9	6	5	13	25		93	53	41						42	10		110	Yes
Lincolnton	Emanuel	C. C. Leonard, Lincolnton	4	6			10	11	6		9	19		65	46	45	4					7	88	25	197	Yes
U. Davidson	Beulah	E. R. Everhardt, Welcome	0	8			57	52			90	97		296	108		27							31	134	Yes
	Bethany	J. L. Shoaf, Wallburg Route	4	5			19	16		10	16	21		89	59	68	4							41	40	No
	Pilgrim	J. T. Leonard, Lexington	7	8	10	19	25	12	14	21	26	78		220	125	160	8				40		100	186	Yes
Catawba	Bethany	Earl Rinehardt, Conover, R. 1	3	3			26				12	15		56	30	20	7							5	52	Yes
	Trinity	A. L. Shuford, Conover	5	7		14	14	12	8	16	17	26		119	68	72	8						110	90	Yes
	Smyrna	Burton Hildebrand, Sherrell's Ford	5	6		12	20	10	10		15	25		92	60	71								79	Yes
Newton	Grace	W. A. Rinehardt, Newton	8	13	27	17	17	23	21	26		39		187	106	90	7							301	Yes
Brookford	Faith	T. W. Mauney, Brookford	3	7	7	8	10	7	8	9	6	9		150	109	30							5	150	Yes
Charlotte	First	J. C. Peck, Charlotte	10	15	21	18	10	12	5	7	15	37	8	158	97	94	3	8						257	397	Yes
Rockwell	Ursinus	Clyde Barrier, Rockwell	5	12	12	25	12	14	10	8		102		198	116	108			10				38	118	204	Yes
	Bethany	Ray Lyerly, Crescent	4	6	5		14	17		32		19		97	84	47									25	Yes
	St. Luke	Luther Peeler, Salisbury, R. 6	4	5	6	6	7	5		12		9		54	42	34	5								38	Yes
Lexington	First	I. L. Sink, Lexington	8	17		46	66	126	83	70	68	138		618	380	385	13				52	178	82	314	430	Yes
Faith	Grace	C. V. Kluttz, Gold Hill, R. 3	5	9	10	19	26	22			43	79		217	105	135	7				30	8			240	Yes
	Shiloh	W. S. Barger, Salisbury	4	13	15		87	48		35		17		200	145	127	19								1133	Yes
	Mt Hope	M. R. Weaver, Salisbury, R. 8	4	9	9	12				25	50	50		156	85	78	12							4	51	Yes
High Point	First	Edgar Whitener, High Point	8	17	38	46	26	60	69	20	22	91		397	205	187	31						15	153	587	Yes
Waughtown	Bethlehem	A. E. Kinnamon, Hanes	3	4		18		6			28	17		76	50	20	4								18	Yes
	Hebron	Hollis Sink, Winston-Salem	6	8		27		29				54		124	85	70	11							12	75	Yes
	First	A. W. Linville, Winston-Salem	7	12	14	14	32	30			50	56		215	140	150	30							100	450	Yes
Gilead	Keller	A. S. Cook, Concord, R. 3	4	4		14		16			12	10		60	31	34	1		8			6	31	52	Yes
	New Gilead	Fred Neisler, Concord, R.	5	5			7	19			12	17		55	29	40					5		15	33	Yes
Kannapolis	St. John's	H. J. Peeler, Kannapolis	6	12		65	22	11	13	18	47	44		238	168	119	12				18	12	119	502	Yes

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					Children				Young People			Adults															
					Cradle Roll (Ages 1, 2, 3)	Beginners (4, 5)	Primary (6, 7, 8)	Junior (9, 10, 11)	Intermediate (12, 13, 14)	Senior (15, 16, 17)	Young People (18-23)	Adults (24 on)	Home Department						Pupils in Summer Religious Day Schools	Pupils in Winter Religious Day Schools	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Publication and Sunday School Board	Other Benevolences	Support of School	
Kannapolis	St. Paul's	Hugh Yost, Mooresville	6	8			12	9	7	18		43		103	62	55	1						5	25	185	Yes
Salisbury	First	Gen. A. Fisher, Salisbury	7	14	36	29	19	12	16	14	44	110		302	180	184	3	12	56			25	21	181	864	Yes
Concord	Trinity	J. O. Moose, Concord	7	12	16	21	22	20	22		32	67	16	235	141	139			22					125	1033	Yes
Landis	First	O. L. Linn, Landis	9	9	8	11	30	26	14	12	15	21		155	115	91					35	100	95			Yes
Zion	Mt. Zion	B. S. Shuford, China Grove	9	16	26	37	53				117	156		389	200	216	10							315	300	Yes
Hickory	Corinth	L. F. Abernathy, Hickory	7	15	32	10	33	38	20	26	30	77		288	165	153	3				100	41	30	396	321	Yes
Guilford	St. Mark's	C. E. Rumbley, Burlington	4	6		20	10	10	18		23	44		125	63	74	9						52		28	Yes
	Brick	B. B. Greeson, Gibsonville	4	5	25	30	26				36	80		196	75	90	16							10	45	No
	Mt. Hope	J. C. Andrew, Greensboro	4	9	57	27	31	18	18	24	25	75	20	308	120	150	18							40	60	Yes
Lenoir	Zion	K. A. Link, Lenoir	4	6	4	10		5	8	39				69	48	42	3							150	80	Yes
South Fork	Bethel	G. L. Whitener, Hickory, R. 1	3	5			15	17		11		39		87	39	58									36	Yes
	Grace	O. S. Blackburn, Newton, R. 1	4	6		5	11	6	13	7	12	15		79	41	28								10	50	No
	St. Paul's	Geo. D. Herman, Newton, R. 1	4	7		4	20	21	13	11	14	22		116	58	35									65	Yes
	Daniel's	J. D. Warlick, Vale	4	4		8	6	5	4		4	29		64	35	41								20	70	Yes
Thomasville	Heidelberg	Falls Templeton, Thomasville	4	10	30	31	20	30	10	16	37	57		243	125	95	8							127	183	Yes
Emanuel	Calvary	R. L. Lopp, Thomasville	5	5			42	30	30			62		174	69	100	6							22	107	Yes
	Emanuel	R. M. Grimes, Thomasville	6	8		20	26	14	10	15	20	98		207	120	125	14				12			105	75	No
	Zion	E. B. Jones, Thomasville	5	7		15	20	10	8	8	15	46		134	80	65									40	No
Bear Creek	Boger	Cletus Kluttz, Rockwell	4	7	6	10	11	14			23	32		96	56	45	3						76			Yes
	Bethel	Malcolm Palmer, New London	5	12		9	13	23		16	24	99		201	132	157							86	57	402	Yes
	St. James'	A. O. Barringer, Mt. Pleasant	4	9		16	11		20		11	50		121	83	80	10					20	117		238	Yes
Greensboro	First	J. W. Holshouser, Greensboro	11	11	25	60	45	50	45	40	40	225		552	282	225	13				300			150	800	Yes
Hopewell	Hopewell	Delmer White, Winston-Salem	3	5		8		10			6	18		50	30											Yes
Winston-Salem	Schlatter Mem.	A. A. Keener, Winston-Salem	10	12	22	35	45	35		35	40	41		275	150	100	15								100	Yes
L Davidson	Beck's	Will. Greer, Lexington	5	7			36	31		29		53		161	90	115	15								90	Yes
	Hedrick's Grove	Earle Beck, Lexington	4	7			42	13	25	45		49		185	94	130	10								54	Yes
	Mt. Tabor	J. C. Crottz, Lexington	4	7	14		43	29		19	34	49		199	116	127	8								65	Yes
West Hickory	Murphy Mem.																									
			297	470	566	889	1236	1117	621	781	1242	2999	44	10101	5800	5313	421	20	256		609	489	743	3487	11518	

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John Ingle	Green Park, N. C.	Retired.																										
Michael L. Hedrick	Lexington, N. C., R. (	Retired.																										
Jacob C Leonard, D.D.	Lexington, N. C.	First, Lexington	520	13	11	5	13	3	8	525	457	94	14	....	....	618	1066	721	417	78	365	655	565	340	4206	5004	30000	4000
James D. Andrew	Salisbury, N. C., R. 3	Shiloh	138	18	1	.....	1	2	.....	154	123	.....	13	.....	....	200	.....	.....	50	.....	626	.....	.....	.....	1154	1338	50000	3000
	Faith Charge—	Grace	124	7	13	1	.....	1	.....	139	146	67	6	....	....	217	8	13	.....	.....	110	279	126	.....	.....	720	20000	1500
		Mt. Hope	66	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	78	65	28	8	....	....	156	.....	4	50	.....	107	.....	110	.....	261	410	15000	
Wm. H. McNairy	Rockwell, N. C., R. 2	Supt. N. O. Home.																										
John H. Keller	China Grove, N. C.	Mt Zion	296	10	13	.....	2	2	.....	315	190	177	12	....	....	414	390	518	800	44	102	1062	25	225	3166	1400	30000	3000
	Zion-Landis Charge—	First, Landis	121	.....	4	.....	5	2	7	111	110	45	6	1	1	155	225	300	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	525	950	30000	
Shuford Peeler	Salisbury, N. C.	Agent Catawba College																										
Anthony Shulenberger	China Grove, N. C.	Retired.																										
Lee A Peeler	Kannapolis, N. C.	St. John's, Kannap	122	12	10	.....	5	1	6	132	130	36	3	....	1	238	263	336	596	19	42	.....	269	50	1575	2068	50000	8000
	Kannapolis Charge—	St. Paul's	67	1	.....	.....	8	.....	.....	60	58	10	1	....	....	103	65	95	27	8	76	15	92	50	428	665	2000	
A. Samuel Peeler	Lexington, N. C., R. 2	Hedrick's Grove	135	10	6	1	3	.....	.....	149	118	50	.....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8	.....	.....	126	.....	134	1260	30000	6000
	Lower Davidson Charge	Mt. Tabor	98	8	2	.....	1	1	.....	113	98	50	.....	....	....	199	50	50	40	7	54	25	.....	.....	226	383	4000	
		Jerusalem	28	.....	2	.....	5	1	.....	31	24	8	.....	....	....	.....	11	11	100	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	126	181	2000	
		Beck's	175	15	4	.....	10	3	.....	181	165	80	11	1	....	161	52	52	.....	11	11	.....	.....	.....	126	1537	4000	
C. Columbus Wagoner	Newton, N. C.	Grace, Newton	217	7	8	.....	5	2	8	217	130	75	1	....	....	187	238	258	136	30	212	.....	185	.....	1059	3778	12000	6000
Dougan C. Cox	Thomasville, N. C.	Without Charge.																										
John H Koons	Maiden, N. C.	Memorial, Maiden	76	2	.....	.....	2	5	.....	71	67	45	4	....	....	93	48	89	50	11	86	75	76	125	560	740	1800	3000
	Lincoln Charge—	Salem	31	2	3	.....	.....	1	.....	35	35	15	2	....	....	.....	48	52	3	2	209	25	48	31	418	280	2500	
		St. Matthew's	94	7	2	1	6	1	2	95	87	54	6	1	....	84	51	51	31	14	20	21	101	25	314	405	4000	
Jacob A. Palmer	Thomasville, N. C.	Heidelberg, Thomasv	172	10	9	5	8	.....	11	177	127	12	.....	....	....	243	152	168	76	26	217	300	222	20	1181	1664	6000	3000

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John C. Peeler	Lenoir, N. C.	Zion, Lenoir	67	3	4	.....	2	.....	1	71	60	16	.....	.....	.....	69	156	181	27	12	50	295	50	25	796	1806	25000	6000
Albert F. Nace	Atlanta, Ga.	Without Charge.																										
Wm. C. Lyerly	Concord, N. C.	Trinity, Concord	161	.....	7	.....	4	2	.....	162	142	49	6	.....	.....	235	136	145	320	.....	180	20	161	41	993	11352	60000	
Harvey A Welker	Burlington, N. C.	First, Burlington	193	30	10	6	5	2	4	228	194	85	3	1	.....	317	246	266	39	29	103	127	226	29	1065	1800	5000	7000
Harvey A. M. Holshouser, Ph. D.	Rockwell, N. C.	St Luke's	54	5	1	.....	.....	3	.....	56	55	49	6	.....	.....	54	28	28	29	6	240	15	27	9	282	262	2000	
	Rockwell Charge—	Ursinus, Rockwell	133	.....	3	3	.....	.....	.....	139	131	118	6	.....	.....	198	100	100	32	20	436	.....	136	10	698	13393	40000	1000
		Bethany, Crescent	59	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	55	53	39	3	1	2	87	89	93	26	11	220	.....	65	10	313	276	2500	
Harvey A. Fesperman	Greensboro, N. C.	First, Greensboro	300	17	16	2	6	1	18	310	212	125	.....	3	1	552	260	266	80	45	451	1125	400	200	2828	6017	32000	8000
Harvey G. Copenhaver	Catawba, N. C.	Without Charge.																										
Frank L. Fesperman	Yamagata, Japan	Missionary to Japan																										
Sterling W. Whitener	Yochow City, H., China	Missionary to China.																										
Milton Whitener	High Point, N. C.	First, High Point	191	37	20	10	2	2	12	242	194	47	4	.....	.....	397	200	211	1211	29	96	512	320	.....	2584	3238	25000	8000
Charles W. Warlick	Mt. Pleasant, N. C.	St. James', Mt. Pl.	78	10	1	.....	.....	1	4	84	66	23	.....	.....	.....	121	58	78	621	8	374	.....	106	12	1257	1711	30000	2000
	Bear Creek Charge—	Bethel	209	.....	1	.....	2	1	2	205	148	56	6	.....	.....	201	56	53	1256	15	57	469	305	.....	2261	1089		
		Boger	75	3	6	.....	5	.....	2	77	51	26	2	.....	.....	96	.....	.....	.....	.....	70	20	75	.....	241	186	1500	
A. Odell Leonard	Lexington, N. C., R. 2	Second, Lexington	195	18	9	2	.....	1	9	214	154	33	.....	.....	.....	456	212	221	71	34	87	.....	118	32	775	1585	2500	6000
Banks J. Peeler	Salisbury, N. C.	First, Salisbury	216	3	11	.....	1	2	3	224	195	89	6	.....	2	302	249	251	97	40	216	485	200	40	1578	2319	25000	3000
O Bain Michael	Winston-Salem, N. C.	Memorial, W.-Salem	100	15	2	2	1	.....	18	100	90	35	.....	.....	.....	275	107	113	40	15	25	.....	168	.....	468	1132	35000	5000
J. Dudley Maider	Salisbury, N. C.	Without Charge.																										
Augustus C. Peeler	Winston-Salem, N. C.	First, Waughtown	112	26	5	2	5	1	1	138	116	3	1	.....	.....	215	97	97	.....	.....	.....	.....	216	.....	410	4568	30000	3000
	Waughtown Charge—	Hebron	101	11	4	.....	9	1	.....	106	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	525	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	96	.....	108	398	3000	
		Bethlehem	46	3	.....	1	2	1	15	31	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	76	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20	.....	20	80	1000	
Geo. Longaker, D. D.	Hickory, N. C.	Corinth, Hickory	385	4	15	2	9	3	3	391	276	115	14	.....	1	288	879	1772	249	58	201	3800	529	69	7657	6089	60000	14000
Elmer R. Hoke, Ph. D.	Salisbury, N. C.	Pres. Catawba College																										

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John W. Myers	Charlotte, N. C.	First, Charlotte	130	1	8	2	8	2	11	120	86	56	4	....	....	158	233	267	81	53	428	306	531	38	1936	2980	60000	15000
Harvey W. Black, Lic.	Thomasville, N. C.	Graduate Student.																										
Ernst Derendinger, Ph.D.	Salisbury, N. C.	Prof. Catawba Col.																										
Vacant	Newton, N. C.	St. Paul's	106	16	2	1	7	1	2	115	71	32	4	1	1	116	5	10	11	12	113	230	143	.....	514	530	3500	2000
	South Fork Charge—	Bethel	88	.....	.....	.....	2	1	.....	85	56	24	4	....	....	87	.....	82	.....	.....	10	.....	.....	12	104	285	3500	
		Grace	91	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....	89	60	19	3	....	....	76	.....	.....	25	.....	10	5	73	.....	113	305	2500	
		Pilgrim	52	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	56	47	17	.....	....	....	54	40	40	.....	5	8	1125	.....	.....	1205	400	1000	1000
Vacant	Lexington, N. C., R. 1.	Daniel's	238	5	2	.....	5	1	.....	239	175	35	1	....	....	218	50	100	400	.....	165	160	400	.....	1175	2500	5000	5000
	Upper Davidson Charge	Beulah	320	26	.....	.....	4	3	56	283	220	.....	.....	.....	.....	296	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200	495	12000	
		Bethany	80	4	.....	.....	3	1	.....	80	70	4	1	....	....	89	.....	.....	.....	.....	37	.....	50	.....	87	200	2000	
Vacant	Thomasville, N. C.	Emanuel	182	18	5	1	6	1	.....	193	135	.....	1	....	....	207	25	.....	.....	.....	25	335	.....	.....	385	1800	3500	2000
	Emanuel Charge—	Calvary	121	6	1	.....	6	.....	.....	122	90	10	8	....	....	174	.....	.....	.....	.....	22	.....	.....	.....	.....	416	5000	
		Zion	140	.....	3	.....	9	2	.....	120	45	.....	.....	....	....	134	.....	.....	.....	.....	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2000	
Vacant	Hickory, N. C.	Murphy Memorial	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16	10	.....	....	....	24	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	39	2500	
Vacant	Newton, N. C.	Bethany	40	7	.....	.....	.....	1	11	35	25	13	2	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25	.....	25	125	500	
Vacant	Lincolnton, N. C.	Emanuel, Lincolnton	72	4	.....	.....	5	2	.....	69	52	26	.....	....	1	65	17	15	25	10	12	.....	283	42	404	851	17000	8000
Vacant	Julian, N. C., R. 1.	Mt. Hope	131	9	4	.....	3	1	.....	138	121	.....	.....	....	....	308	.....	.....	.....	.....	19	276	103	.....	398	828	3000	1000
	Guilford Charge—	Brick	124	21	6	1	4	6	.....	140	95	.....	3	....	....	196	17	93	5	3	44	.....	115	.....	207	925	3500	
		St. Mark's	103	9	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	110	42	59	3	....	....	125	.....	.....	.....	.....	24	.....	68	.....	92	85	3000	
Vacant	Conover, N. C.	Trinity-St. John's	82	.....	3	.....	6	1	2	76	70	84	2	....	....	106	52	35	14	12	145	.....	.....	.....	345	319	4000	2000
	Catawba Charge—	Brookford	80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	18	.....	2	....	....	150	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	68	.....	164	.....	2500	
		Smyrna	55	10	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	65	45	19	1	....	1	92	.....	.....	.....	4	2	.....	.....	.....	6	.....	1500	
Vacant		New Gilead	122	.....	.....	.....	1	1	22	98	40	30	1	....	....	55	25	23	6	.....	18	.....	176	.....	247	306	3000	1000
	Concord, N. C.	Keller	57	1	.....	.....	7	.....	3	48	31	13	3	....	....	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	107	25	142	185	1000	
	New Gilead Charge—	Total for Classis	7661	460	243	48	211	77	242	7747	6041	2289	187	9	11	9797	6110	7189	7041	683	6247	11724	7305	1460	47542	93631	811800	13750

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